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Recast is the magical adventure story of a boy,

JD, who wants to be the Master of Magicians

in a world full of magical particles, BOXES.

JD is chased by assassins and monsters

because of his latent abilities, which had been secret.

God sends enemies against JD and just watches.

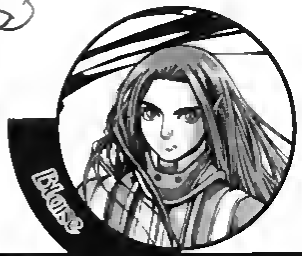
Will JD become the Master of Magicians?

RECAST

JD

ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE WAS A REALM DIVIDED INTO THREE-- THE FOURTH, FIFTH AND SIXTH WORLDS. THE SIXTH WORLD IS LIKE A PARADISE, THE FOURTH LIKE HELL. IN THE FIFTH WORLD, ON A DISK SEPARATED INTO TWO LEVELS, LIVE ALL IN BETWEEN. .

Stone Cold



TWELVE-YEAR OLD JD IS A YOUNG BOY WHO WAS RAISED BY HIS GRANDFATHER, GRIFFORD, IN THE FIFTH WORLD.

JD HAS TWO SPELLS CAST ON HIM--AN ELECTRIFYING CHASTITY SPELL AND A MYSTERIOUS RECAST SPELL.

ONE DAY, A PUPPET BOUNTY HUNTER--A SERVANT OF THE FOURTH WORLD--KILLED GRIFFORD. GRIFFORD'S LAST WISH WAS FOR JD TO SEEK OUT BLAISE, GRIFFORD'S OLD FRIEND AND A VAMPIRE LORD, AND THEN TRAVEL TO THE FOURTH WORLD.

AFTER MUCH MISADVENTURE, JD FOUND BLAISE. BUT THE VAMPIRE LORD REFUSED TO HELP JD, AS HE WAS BOUND TO THE JADE REGION BY HIS SISTER CARMEN. BUT WHEN CARMEN DABBLED IN MAGIC OUTSIDE HER LEAGUE, JD AND BLAISE HAD TO TRAVEL TO FIND A MYSTICAL WOLF WHO COULD REMOVE HER CURSE.

Gorgon

Carmen

EVEN WITH THE AID OF BEOWULF LUPUS II, JD AND BLAISE ARRIVED TOO LATE TO SAVE CARMEN FROM EOMAIA'S UNDER-SIX SQUAD. HAVING LOST COMMANDER ZAHA IN THE DEBACLE, EOMAIA SENT A FEARSOME DRAGON AGAINST THE JADE REGION TO EXACT HER VENGEANCE.

AS JD AND BLAISE FIGHT THE DRAGON, THERE ARE STILL BIGGER CONCERNS. SIRE KITOR, THE SUPREME RULER OF THE FOURTH WORLD, HAS BEEN KILLED, AND HIS FIANCÉE LAIN HAS TRAVELED TO THE FOURTH WORLD TO SEEK ANSWERS.

AND NOW, THE CONCLUSION TO RECAST..

AH! LOOK OUT!
KYAAGH!!
HELP! SOME-BODY HELP!
RUN!
LUPUS! THAT MONSTER IS HEADED STRAIGHT FOR US! DO SOMETHING!
WHAT TO DO, WHAT TO--
DUH!

HUH? WAIT A MINUTE ...
STUPENDOUS! HOW DID YOU DEFEAT THAT HIDEOUS MONSTER?
WHAT IN THE WORLD COULD THIS THING BE?
IT USED TO BE HUMAN, SO I HEAR
RELATED TO THAT DRAGON SHOWING UP HERE I BET
HOW UNEXPECTED! THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN NOTHING BUT PEACE AND PROSPERITY ROUND THESE PARTS
NOW JADE IS A HORSE OF A DIFFERENT COLOR
TOO MANY ALARMING THINGS HAVE BEEN HAPPENING AS OF LATE
HEY, BOY! LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE LOST THEIR ATTENTION
I TOOK OFF MY MASK TO FREEZE HIM WITH MY FACE BUT I'M SURE HE WAS COUGHING BLOOD BEFORE I SHOWED MY FACE
Oooh
Aaah!
AND WHO D'YA SUPPOSED WAS THAT LITTLE SQUIRT RIDING ON TOP OF THE GIANT BAT?
H-HE'S A MURDERER! HE KILLED THE LACKEY EOMAIA SENT TO THE JADE REGION!
HE'S A BOY FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WATERWAY AND PEOPLE CALL HIM JO!

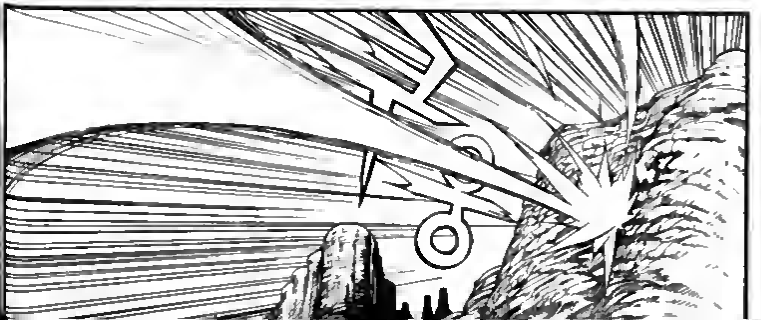
THE ONE BEHIND THAT INCIDENT WAS A MERE CHILD? BUT WHY?
IF HE DID IT, WHY'S THE SIXTH WORLD ON THE WARPATH AGAINST ALL OF THE JADE REGION?
THEY MUST BE AFTER THIS BOY. YES, IT MAKES SENSE
YOU KNOW, I HEARD AN EVIL MAGICIAN RAISED HIM...

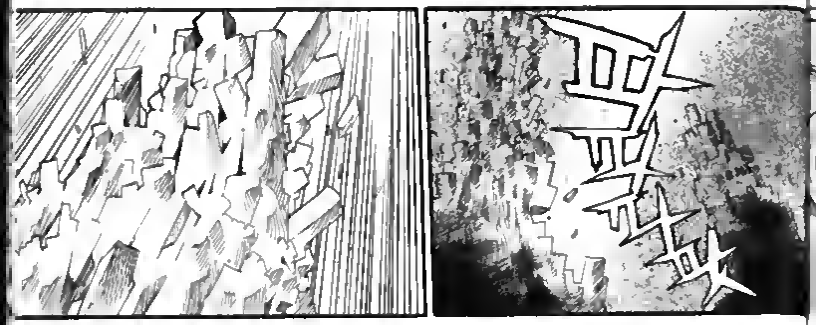
THE CITY'S WAY BEHIND US NOW.
DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD HAVE SPENT MORE TIME WHERE THEY COULD SEE US?

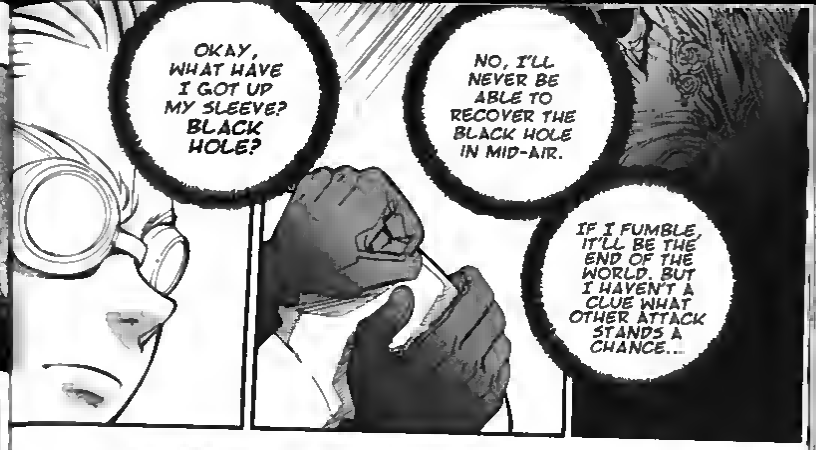
WE'VE DONE OUR JOB. LET'S BE OFF TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL, DARLIN'.

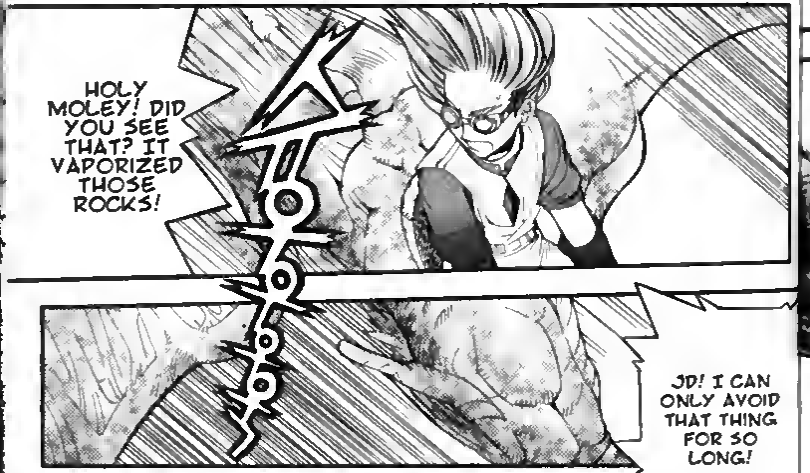
FORGET THAT! WE CAN'T STAY ANOTHER MINUTE NEAR THAT DRAGON'S BREATH. UGH! I SHUDDER TO THINK ABOUT IT!
AND AS YOU CAN TELL BY MY DODGING, WE'RE NOT IN THE CLEAR YET!

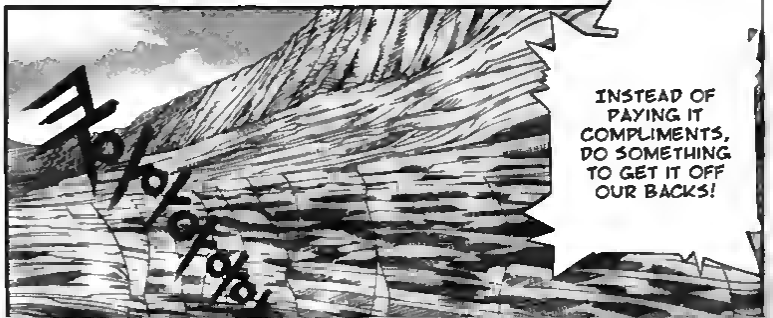
MEANWHILE...






OKAY, WHAT HAVE I GOT UP MY SLEEVE? BLACK HOLE?
NO, I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO RECOVER THE BLACK HOLE IN MID-AIR.
IF I FUMBLE, IT'LL BE THE END OF THE WORLD. BUT I HAVEN'T A CLUE WHAT OTHER ATTACK STANDS A CHANCE...


HOLY MOLEY! DID YOU SEE THAT? IT VAPORIZED THOSE ROCKS!
JD! I CAN ONLY AVOID THAT THING FOR SO LONG!


INSTEAD OF PAYING IT COMPLIMENTS, DO SOMETHING TO GET IT OFF OUR BACKS!

AHA! I'VE GOT SOMETHING!
JUST AROUND THAT CLIFF, THERE'S A NARROW CANYON, JUST WIDE ENOUGH FOR MY WINGSPAN.
IF I CAN GET THAT THING TO FOLLOW ME, IT'S TOAST.

HUH? THAT SOUNDS A LITTLE TOO EASY, DON'T YOU--
THE MOMENT OF TRUTH! WILL BLAISE'S PLAN WORK?
!!
YIKES!

I CAN'T SEE WHAT HAPPENED! BLAISE, GET AN AERIAL VIEW!

I DON'T SEE IT...BUT IF IT FELL INTO THAT FOREST THERE, WE SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE SOME TIME BEFORE IT HEALS

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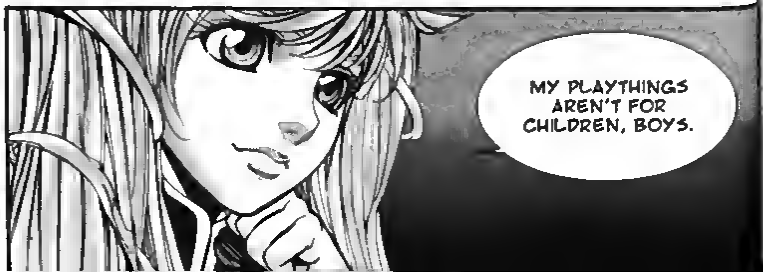
HEY! I SEE IT!
HA HA! NO MATTER HOW GOOD THAT THING IS AT REGENERATING, WE'VE TAKEN CARE OF IT FOR A WHILE.
IF YOU SAY SO...
SWEET! THAT STUPID DRAGON THING IS DOWN FOR THE COUNT!
AHH!!

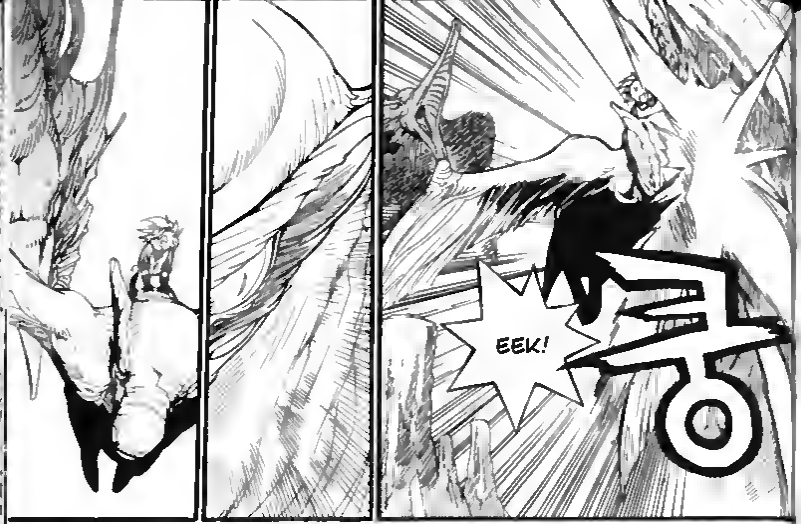
THIS IS GETTING RIDICULOUS! SOMETHING LIKE THAT SHOULDN'T EXIST AND SOMEONE LIKE ME SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BE THE ONE TO GET RID OF IT!
FULL SPEED AHEAD, BLAISE!

GO AHEAD-- TRY TO BREAK IT.
IT'S ONLY THE MOST AMAZING FORM OF LIFE IN THE ENTIRE WORLD--AND INDESTRUCTIBLE.
KEEP ON RUNNING AWAY, THAT'S THE SMARTEST THING BUT IT'S AWFUL GOOD AT TAG, YOU SEE, AND IT'S "IT."

UNGH.. THIS IS ALL I CAN TAKE.
I'M EXHAUSTED.


MY PLAYTHINGS AREN'T FOR CHILDREN, BOYS.

LOOK WHO'S TALKING!
BUT...
ALL YOU'VE BEEN DOING IS SITTING! WHAT REASON WOULD YOU HAVE TO BE TIRED?!

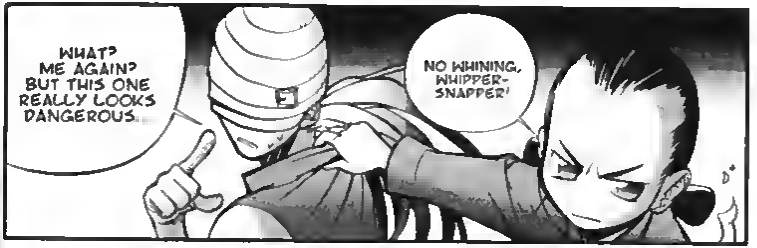

EEK!

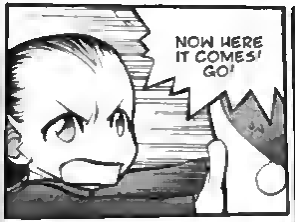
HEY, DODGE BETTER, WOULD YOU?! WE'RE GONNA GET MELTED!

VERY GOOD, MY TOOL, AND YET...

WATCHING IT AIM LIKE A RETARDED TWO-YEAR OLD IS GETTING ON MY NERVES. FIXING ITS AIM IS ITEM NUMERO UNO ON THE REPAIR LIST WHEN IT COMES BACK

I WOULDN'T HAVE BELIEVED IT, BUT THOSE TWO ARE IN OVER THEIR HEADS!
BOY, YOU'LL HAVE TO STEP UP.


WHAT? ME AGAIN? BUT THIS ONE REALLY LOOKS DANGEROUS.
NO WHINING, WHIPPER-SNAPPER!


NOW HERE IT COMES! GO!

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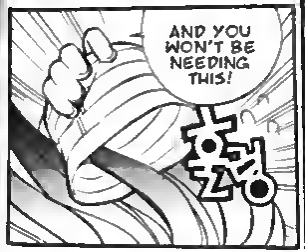
AND YOU WON'T BE NEEDING THIS!

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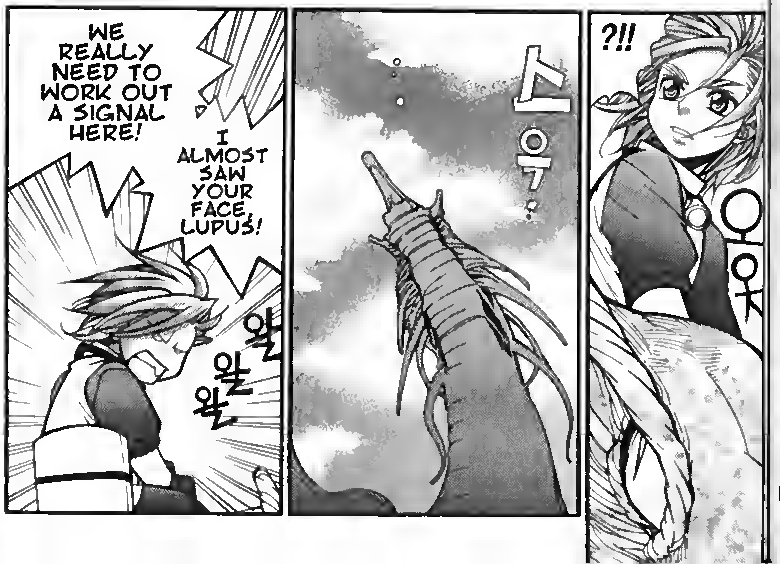
WE REALLY NEED TO WORK OUT A SIGNAL HERE!
I ALMOST SAW YOUR FACE, LUPUS!
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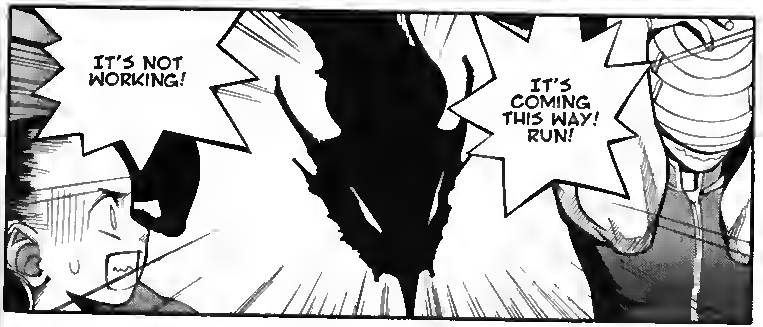
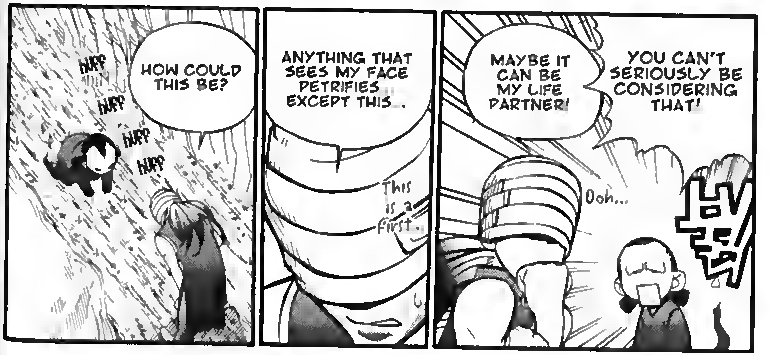

IT'S NOT WORKING!
IT'S COMING THIS WAY! RUN!


HAPP HAPP HAPP HAPP
HOW COULD THIS BE?
ANYTHING THAT SEES MY FACE PETRIFIES EXCEPT THIS..
This is a first.
MAYBE IT CAN BE MY LIFE PARTNER!
YOU CAN'T SERIOUSLY BE CONSIDERING THAT!
Ooh...
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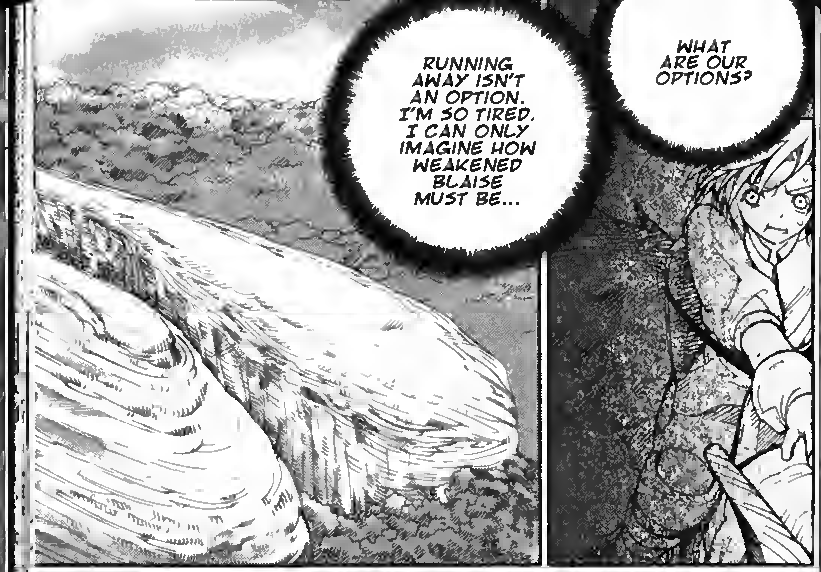
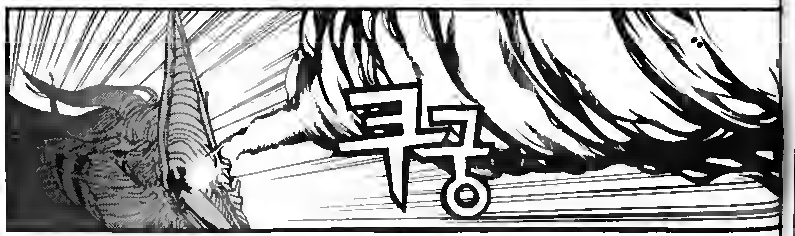
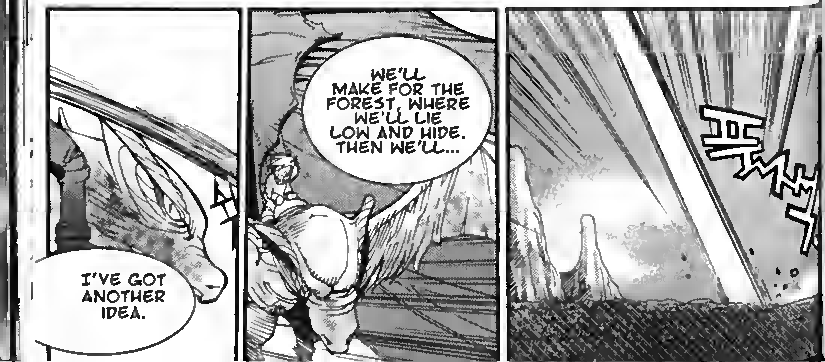
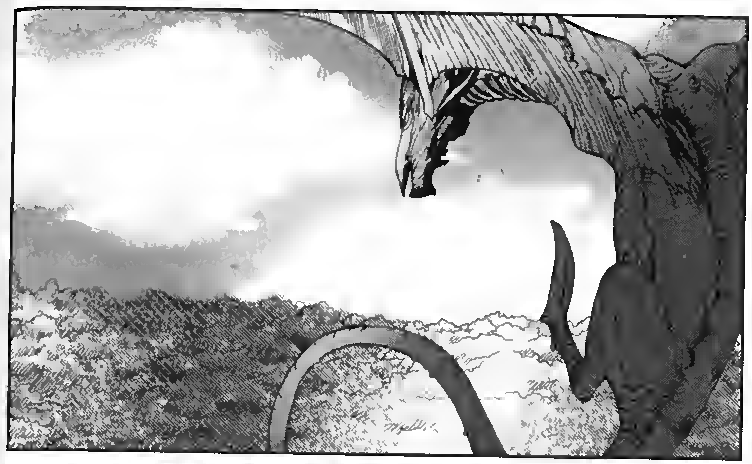

RUNNING AWAY ISN'T AN OPTION. I'M SO TIRED, I CAN ONLY IMAGINE HOW WEAKENED BLAISE MUST BE...
WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS?




I'VE GOT ANOTHER IDEA.
WE'LL MAKE FOR THE FOREST, WHERE WE'LL LIE LOW AND HIDE. THEN WE'LL...



WHAT'S GOING ON? ARE THEY EXHAUSTED OR PLANNING SOMETHING?

I'LL CIRCLE AROUND THEM FIRST, THEN...
HA! THEY SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THEY NEVER STOOD A CHANCE!

WHAT'S GOING ON?
IT'S NOT ABLE TO FREE ITSELF!
WHAT'S GOING ON? COULD THAT CHILD POSSESS MAGICAL POWER OF THIS MAGNITUDE?
THOSE CONFOUNDED TREES ARE GETTING IN THE WAY.
WAIT, WHAT'S THIS NOW?

"LEAD IT TO WHERE I'VE PREPARED A SPELL."
PLEASE!
LET IT WORK!
THIS TIME, I WILL PROTECT WHAT I SHOULD.
MY HOME-LAND.
MY PEOPLE!
ITS SPIRIT IS BEING AB-SORBED?!
THAT'S BLAISE'S STRONGEST ATTACK

ALMOST THERE--!

I CAN'T LET THAT MONSTER INTO MY LANDS!
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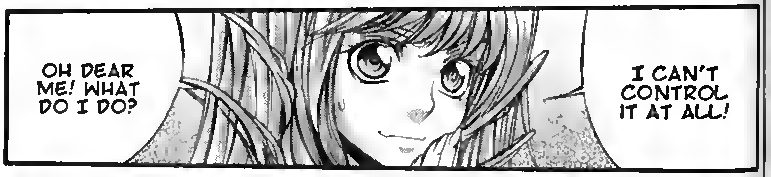
OH DEAR ME! WHAT DO I DO?
I CAN'T CONTROL IT AT ALL!

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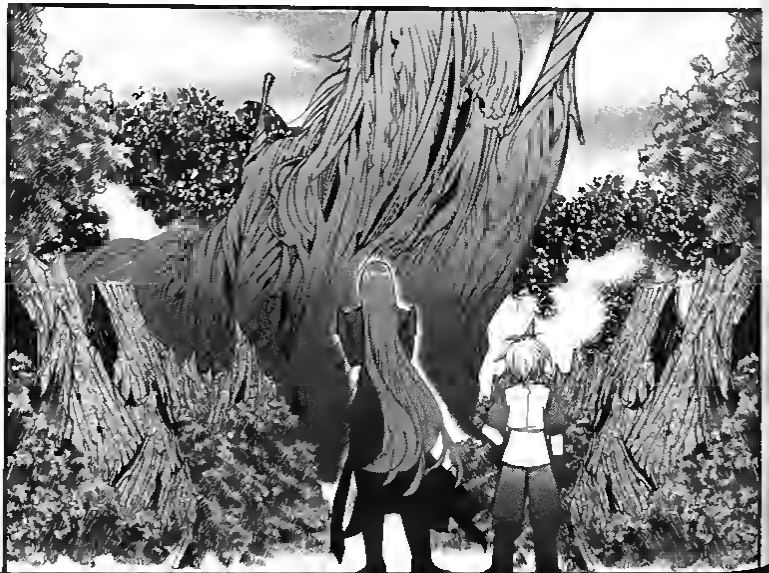
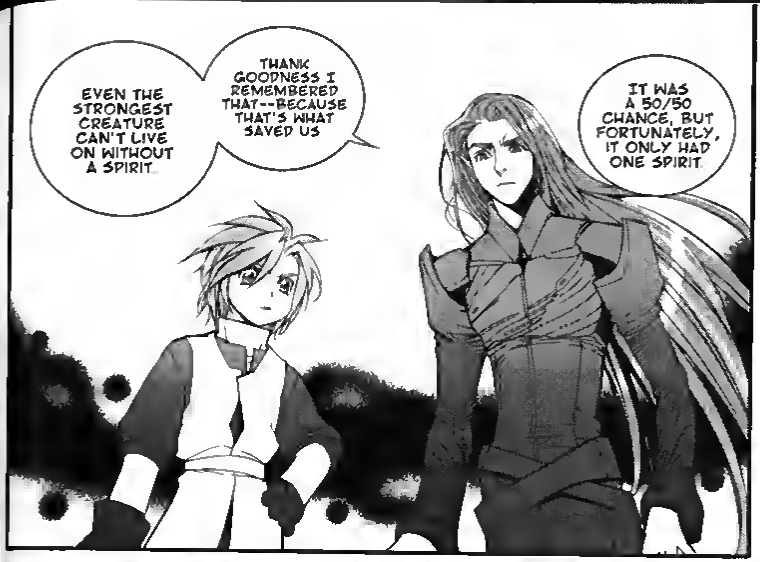
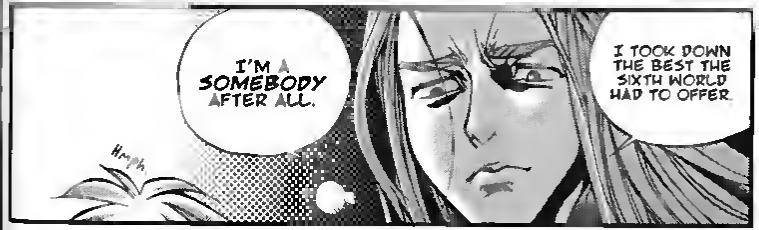
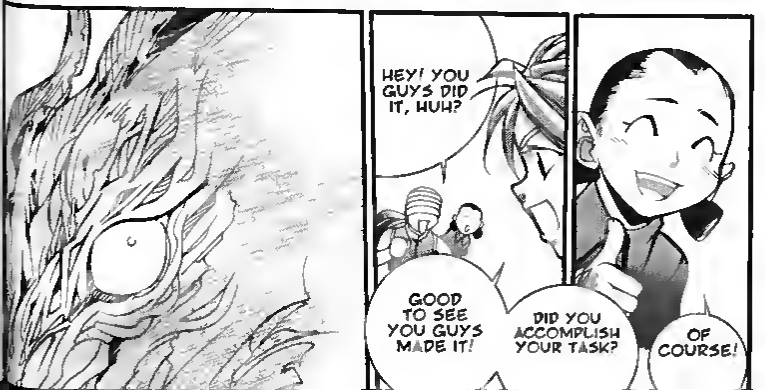
JD!
ARE YOU OKAY?!
WHERE ARE YOU?! ANSWER ME!
JOOK!

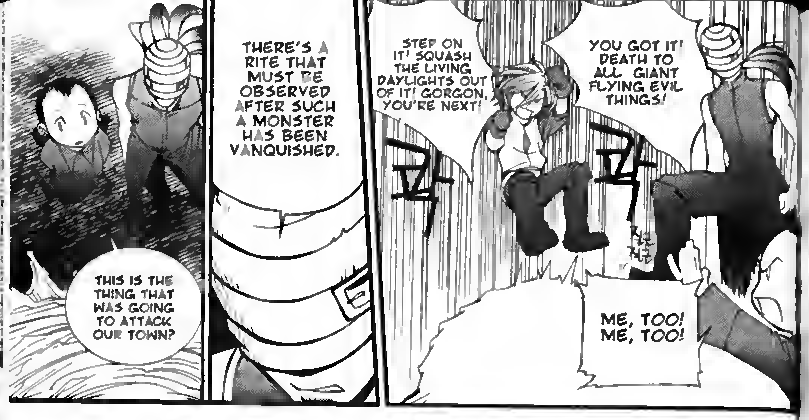
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO GOOF OFF.
I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO LEAVE YOU
I'M NOT GOOFING OFF! HELP ME!

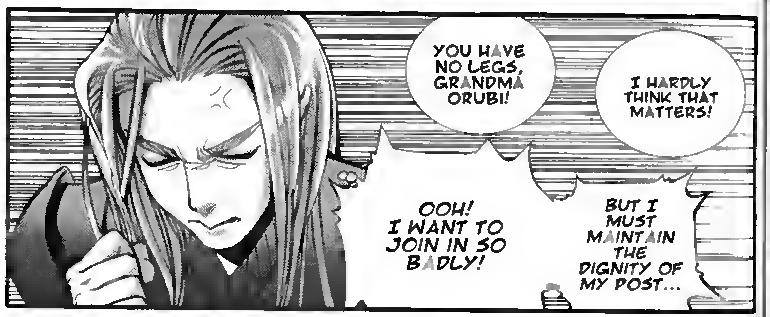


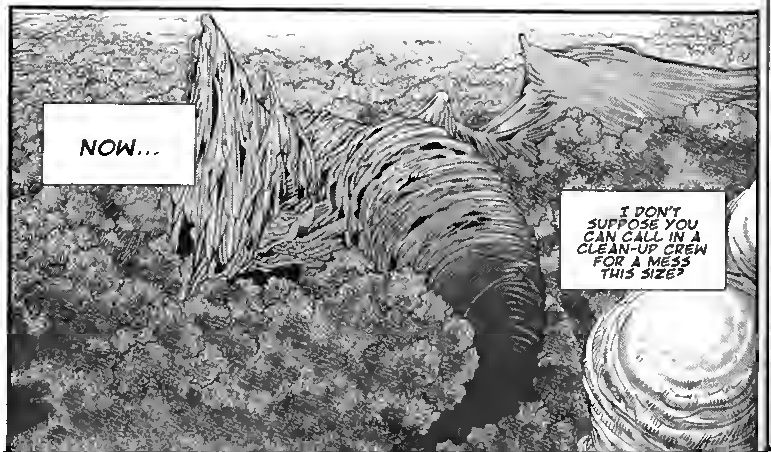

EVEN THE STRONGEST CREATURE CAN'T LIVE ON WITHOUT A SPIRIT.
THANK GOODNESS I REMEMBERED THAT--BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT SAVED US
IT WAS A 50/50 CHANCE, BUT FORTUNATELY, IT ONLY HAD ONE SPIRIT

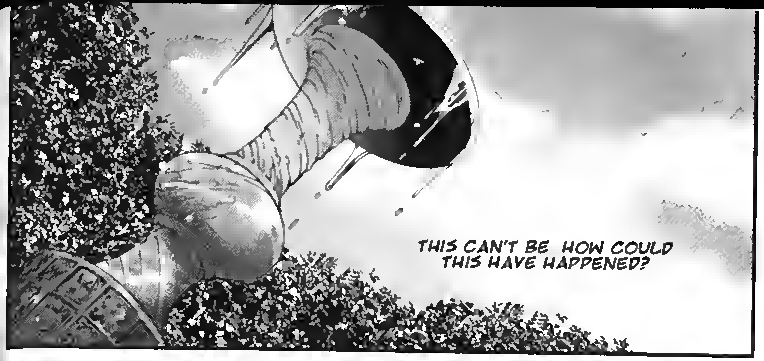

I'M A SOMEBODY AFTER ALL.
I TOOK DOWN THE BEST THE SIXTH WORLD HAD TO OFFER.

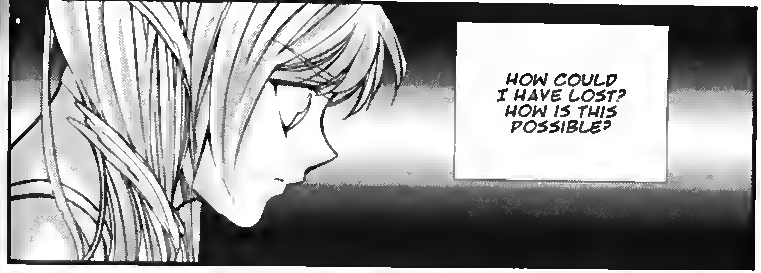

HEY! YOU GUYS DID IT, HUH?
GOOD TO SEE YOU GUYS MADE IT!
DID YOU ACCOMPLISH YOUR TASK?
OF COURSE!

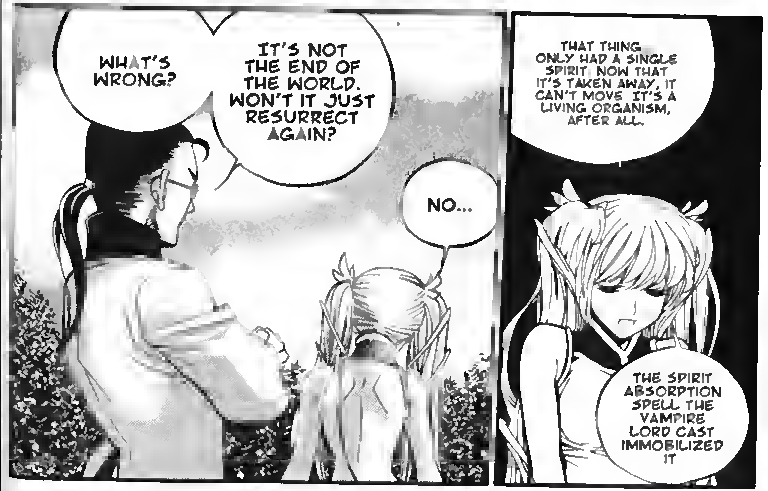

THIS IS THE THING THAT WAS GOING TO ATTACK OUR TOWN?
THERE'S A RITE THAT MUST BE OBSERVED AFTER SUCH A MONSTER HAS BEEN VANQUISHED.
STEP ON IT! SQUASH THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS OUT OF IT! GORGON, YOU'RE NEXT!
YOU GOT IT! DEATH TO ALL GIANT FLYING EVIL THINGS!
ME, TOO! ME, TOO!

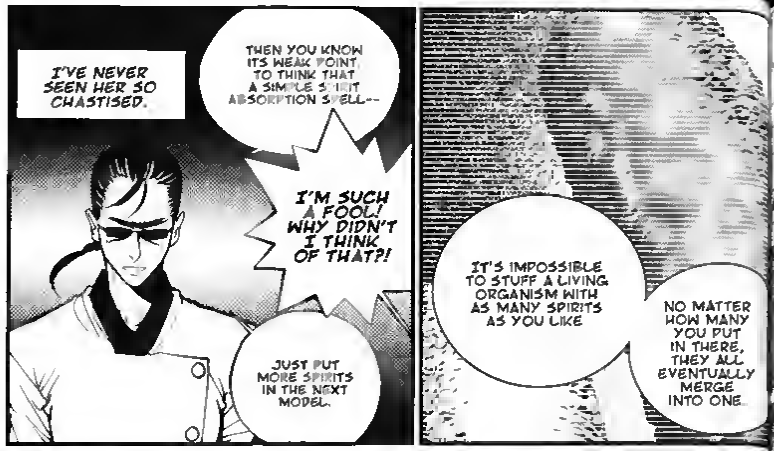

YOU HAVE NO LEGS, GRANDMA ORUBI!
I HARDLY THINK THAT MATTERS!
OOH! I WANT TO JOIN IN SO BADLY!
BUT I MUST MAINTAIN THE DIGNITY OF MY POST...

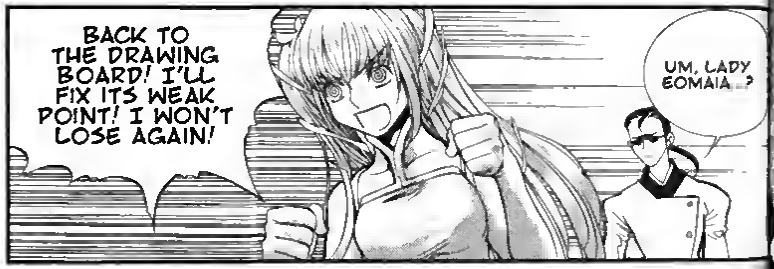

NOW...
I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU CAN CALL IN A CLEAN-UP CREW FOR A MESS THIS SIZE?

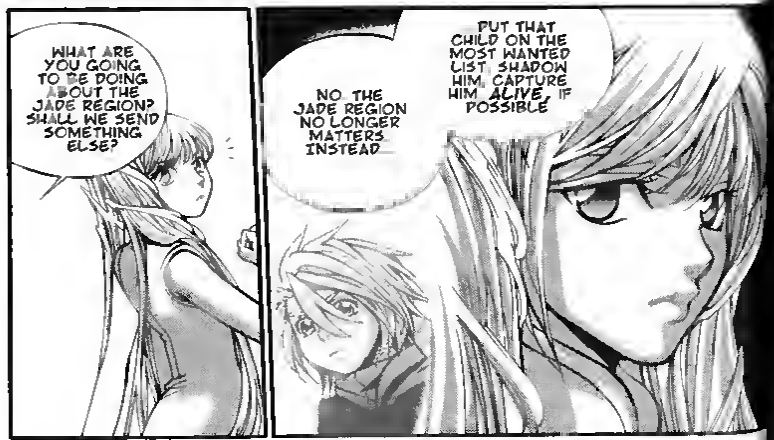

THIS CAN'T BE. HOW COULD THIS HAVE HAPPENED?


HOW COULD I HAVE LOST? HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?


WHAT'S WRONG?
IT'S NOT THE END OF THE WORLD. WON'T IT JUST RESURRECT AGAIN?
NO...
THAT THING ONLY HAD A SINGLE SPIRIT. NOW THAT IT'S TAKEN AWAY, IT CAN'T MOVE. IT'S A LIVING ORGANISM, AFTER ALL.
THE SPIRIT ABSORPTION SPELL THE VAMPIRE LORD CAST IMMOBILIZED IT


I'VE NEVER SEEN HER SO CHASTISED.
THEN YOU KNOW ITS WEAK POINT TO THINK THAT A SIMPLE 5 HIT ABSORPTION SPELL--
I'M SUCH A FOOL! WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?!
JUST PUT MORE SPIRITS IN THE NEXT MODEL.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO STUFF A LIVING ORGANISM WITH AS MANY SPIRITS AS YOU LIKE
NO MATTER HOW MANY YOU PUT IN THERE, THEY ALL EVENTUALLY MERGE INTO ONE.


BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD! I'LL FIX ITS WEAK POINT! I WON'T LOSE AGAIN!
UM, LADY EOMAIA...?


WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE DOING ABOUT THE JADE REGION? SHALL WE SEND SOMETHING ELSE?
NO. THE JADE REGION NO LONGER MATTERS INSTEAD...
PUT THAT CHILD ON THE MOST WANTED LIST. SHADOW HIM. CAPTURE HIM ALIVE, IF POSSIBLE

Kumbu
JD's here
Volcano Loren
Lain's here

SHALL I TELL HER?
NO. I CAN'T.
SHE'S GOT ENOUGH ON HER PLATE HEARING ABOUT SIRE KITOR WOULD SURELY PUSH HER OVER THE EDGE
...YOU LOOK WELL, MOM.
SIRE KITOR IS DOING WELL. YES, WELL.
MEANING THOSE COWS ARE STILL USING HIM LIKE A PUPPET...
...NEVER LETTING HIM GET A WORD IN EDGEWISE?
WELL, I CAN GET ALONG WELL NO MATTER WHERE I AM. HOW ARE THINGS WITH YOU AND SIRE KITOR?
CAN'T DISAGREE WITH THAT
OF COURSE NOT! IT'S OBVIOUS.
HOW'S LIFE OVER HERE?
ARGH! NEW SUBJECT
ALL TEN DAYS OF IT? OVERALL, I'M SATISFIED.
MY EYES HAVE BEEN OPENED TO MANY NEW THINGS, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY...

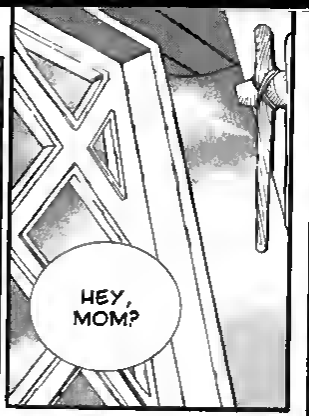
...I'VE FINALLY DISCOVERED THE WHEREABOUTS OF GRATIA--THE MAGICIAN WHO CURSED ME TO BECOME A MAN.
BY THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW I'LL HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR SHIP PASSAGE. SHE'S MINE.

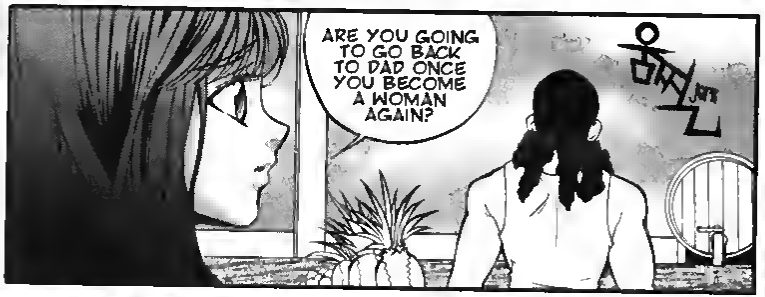
BUT TO BE HONEST, I'M SCARED.
SHE DEFEATED ME SOUNDLY LAST TIME

WHAT'S CHANGED? VERY LITTLE. I'M NOT SO SURE I CAN DEFEAT HER, UNDO THE CURSE AND BECOME A WOMAN AGAIN

DON'T WORRY, MOM.
I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT. YOU'VE BEEN AFTER THIS FOR 12 YEARS.

OOH, I'M SO GLAD I HAD A DAUGHTER!


HEY, MOM?


ARE YOU GOING TO GO BACK TO DAD ONCE YOU BECOME A WOMAN AGAIN?

I HAVEN'T DECIDED.

BESIDES THAT WENCH GRATIA...
...YOUR FATHER...
...IS THE NEXT PERSON WHO DOESN'T DESERVE TO BE FORGIVEN.
Bunkay, is it necessary to hate him that much?

I'D JUST RATHER NOT RELIVE IT.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF YOUR NEW BODY? DO YOU LIKE IT?
WHAT'S THE FUSS? ONLY YOUR GENDER CHANGED AND YOU MAKE A FETCHING GENT, IF I DO SAY SO MYSELF.
SHUT UP! JUST PUT ME BACK TO THE WAY I WAS! WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS TO ME?!
NO CAN DO. LET'S JUST SAY SOMEONE BEGGED ME TO DO THIS.
WHY THAT...
NO... THIS CAN'T BE...
WHAT DID YOU DO TO ME? WHY...?
I'LL MAKE YOU TURN ME BACK BY FORCE!
Heh.
스윽.

!!!
BUT SHE DISAPPEARED INTO THIN AIR. JUST LIKE THAT.
HONEY? WHERE ARE YOU? IT'S DARK IN HERE
DARLING! I'M HOME! ARE YOU IN BED ALREADY?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THAT CORNER? I'M TURNING THE LIGHTS ON
LEAVE THEM OFF! GO AWAY!
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU DON'T SOUND WELL.
I...I'VE CHANGED AND I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO SEE
SHE CHANGED?
SHE MUST HAVE GAINED WEIGHT AGAIN.
NOW, LISTEN UP, HONEY.
I PROMISED THAT I'D LIVE THE REST OF MY LIFE WITH YOU
THAT'S THROUGH SICKNESS AND HEALTH, DARLING. SO STOP THAT MISERABLE NONSENSE AND COME OUT!
DO YOU MEAN IT?

CAN YOU MAKE A HEALING POTION?
I'VE BEEN CURSED, AND NOW I'M A MAN
B-B-B...
BICEPS! (I JUST HAVE BLUBBERY FLESH!)
A MUSTACHE!
CHEST HAIR!
I CAN'T DO THIS, MISTER-- I MEAN, HONEY!
NOT TO MENTION NO POTION CAN REVERSE THAT SPELL!
I REACTED WITHOUT EVEN THINKING! THAT WON'T DO!
THE POOR THING MUST STILL BE IN SHOCK I HAVE TO COMFORT HER
NOW HONEY, JUST WHO PUT THIS CURSE--

AFTER BLATHERING ON ABOUT "FOREVER," HE WAS AWFUL QUICK TO TURN TAIL.

WELL! MY BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER CAME TO VISIT ME, SO LET'S STOP WHINING...
...AND START HAVING SOME FUN!
I FEEL LIKE I'M FORGETTING SOMETHING...
WE CAN CHECK OUT THE HOT GUYS
Tweet!!

WE'LL GO GET A MASSAGE, GO SHOPPING AND BUY SOME CLOTHES, EAT SOME ICE CREAM...
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SO WE SHOULD GO DO ALL THE MOTHER-DAUGHTER THINGS WE CAN DO!

HOLD IT!

I DIDN'T COME HERE TO HAVE FUN!

I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT...
HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT GRIFFORD UP HERE?

I KNOW THAT HE DIED.
THE WINDS CARRIED THE NEWS OF HIS DEATH TO ME.
!
DID THE WINDS HAPPEN TO MENTION A BOY NAMED JD?
JD? WHO?
HE'S SOME CHILD GRIFFORD MADE YEAH, I DON'T UNDERSTAND, EITHER
AHA!
IS THIS WHO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?
A newspaper?
Hold on...

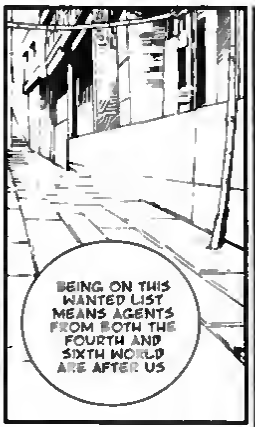
WANTED

THAT HIT THE SPOT.
THANKS, MA'AM.
...
LET'S GET 'EM!
I'M NOT GOING TO LET REWARD MONEY GET AWAY!
????
WHICH WAY DID THEY GO?
OVER THERE!
DON'T LET THEM GET AWAY!
NOW THAT WE'RE ON THE MOST WANTED LIST, THIS IS HAPPENING ALL THE TIME
YOU DEAD?

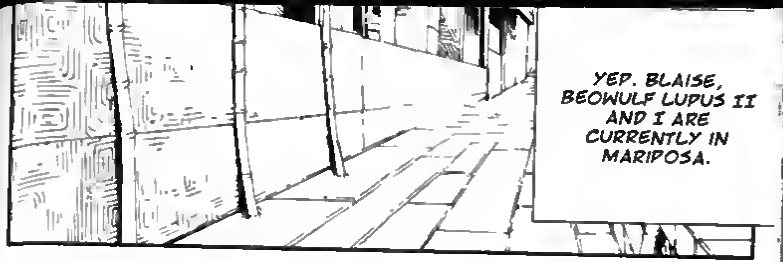
JD, ARE YOU STEALING THINGS?
DON'T PUT IT THAT WAY!

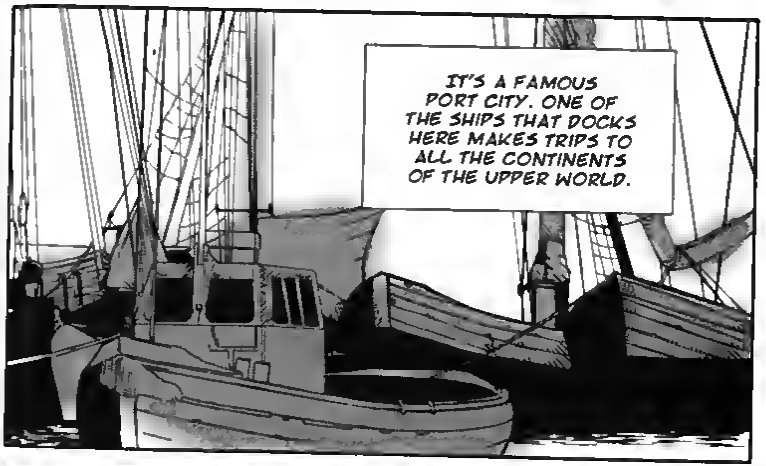
I'M "LIGHTENING THEIR LOAD." C'MON, WE DON'T KNOW WHEN WE'RE GOING TO RUN OUT OF CASH, SO I'M JUST COLLECTING NOW.
IT'S THIS OR YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO USE UP MY UST-1000s AGAIN.

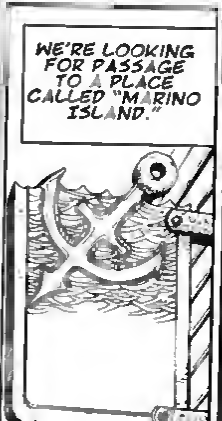
YOUR MASK IS WAY MORE CONVENIENT WITH THAT ZIPPER.
MAYBE, BUT MY NOSE GETS CHEWED UP SOMETIMES


BEING ON THIS WANTED LIST MEANS AGENTS FROM BOTH THE FOURTH AND SIXTH WORLD ARE AFTER US

WE'LL BE IN THE FOURTH WORLD SOON ENOUGH
AFTER THAT, IT WON'T MATTER


YEP. BLAISE, BEOWULF LUPUS II AND I ARE CURRENTLY IN MARIPOSA.

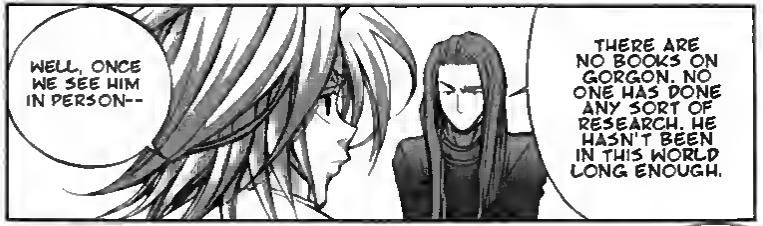

IT'S A FAMOUS PORT CITY. ONE OF THE SHIPS THAT DOCKS HERE MAKES TRIPS TO ALL THE CONTINENTS OF THE UPPER WORLD.


WE'RE LOOKING FOR PASSAGE TO A PLACE CALLED "MARINO ISLAND."

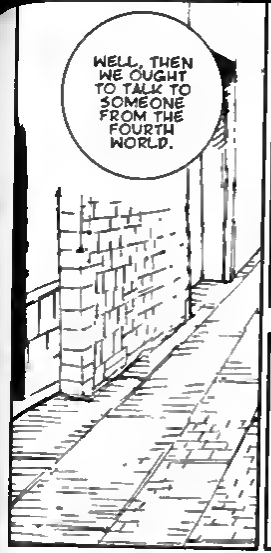
TWO DAYS AGO, IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION OF KUMBU...

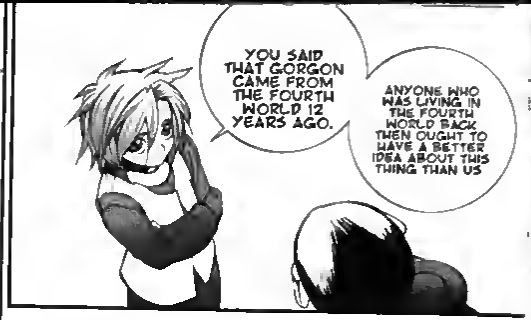
IT'S SAFE NOW!
HE WAS SUCH A GOOD DOG!

EVERY-THING'S SQUARED AWAY NOW!
WE'RE OFF TO CATCH GORGON!
AND JUST WHAT BRAINSTORMS DID YOU HAVE ABOUT GORGON?


WELL, ONCE WE SEE HIM IN PERSON--
THERE ARE NO BOOKS ON GORGON. NO ONE HAS DONE ANY SORT OF RESEARCH. HE HASN'T BEEN IN THIS WORLD LONG ENOUGH.

NOT EVEN GRIFFORD'S DIARY LEFT US MUCH INFORMATION.
"GORGON = DOG"
GORGON IS A DANGEROUS CREATURE, WE KNOW THAT AT LEAST.
DON'T YOU THINK THAT MERITS GATHERING MORE INFORMATION FIRST?

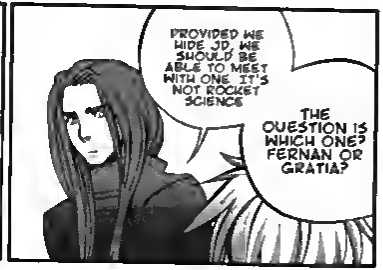

WELL, THEN WE OUGHT TO TALK TO SOMEONE FROM THE FOURTH WORLD.

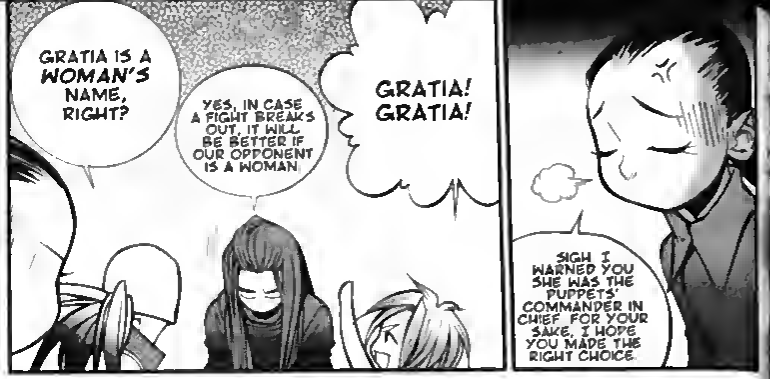

YOU SAID THAT GORGON CAME FROM THE FOURTH WORLD 12 YEARS AGO.
ANYONE WHO WAS LIVING IN THE FOURTH WORLD BACK THEN OUGHT TO HAVE A BETTER IDEA ABOUT THIS THING THAN US

YOU'RE CORRECT. I'VE HEARD ABOUT A COUPLE EXPERTS ON THE FOURTH WORLD.
THERE'S FERNAN, AND THE OTHER IS GRATIA.

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS FERNAN, BUT ISN'T GRATIA...
THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE PUPPETS?

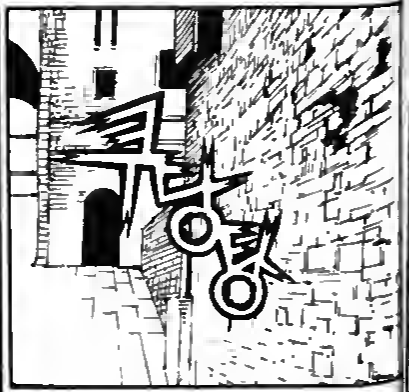
SHE'D QUALIFY AS AN EXPERT ON THE FOURTH WORLD. THEN THERE'S NO GOOD WAY ABOUT THIS


PROVIDED WE HIDE JD, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MEET WITH ONE. IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE
THE QUESTION IS WHICH ONE? FERNAN OR GRATIA?


GRATIA IS A WOMAN'S NAME, RIGHT?
YES, IN CASE A FIGHT BREAKS OUT, IT WILL BE BETTER IF OUR OPPONENT IS A WOMAN.
GRATIA! GRATIA!
SIGH. I WARNED YOU SHE WAS THE PUPPETS' COMMANDER IN CHIEF. FOR YOUR SAKE, I HOPE YOU MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE.

NOW, HOW DO WE LOCATE THIS GRATIA?
CATCH A WEAK PUPPET--AND ASK NICELY.

HENCE, THEY ABDUCTED A PUPPET WITH A LOW RANK.
[THIS SECTION ABBREVIATED.]
That guy.

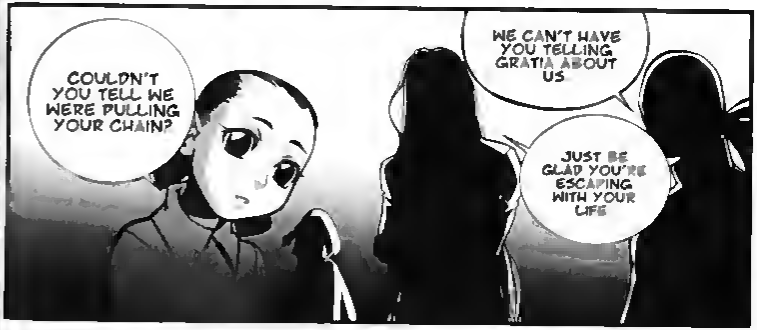


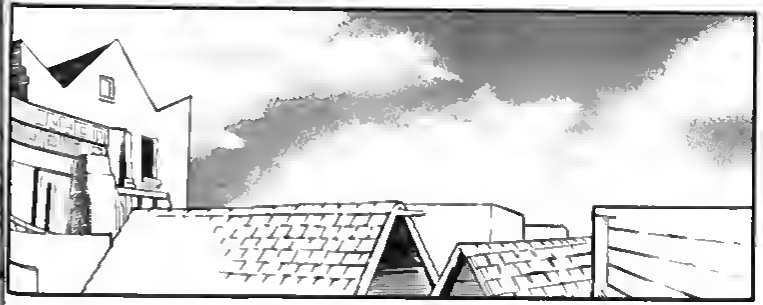
I'LL TELL YOU! I'LL TELL YOU! LADY GRATIA IS IN MARINO!

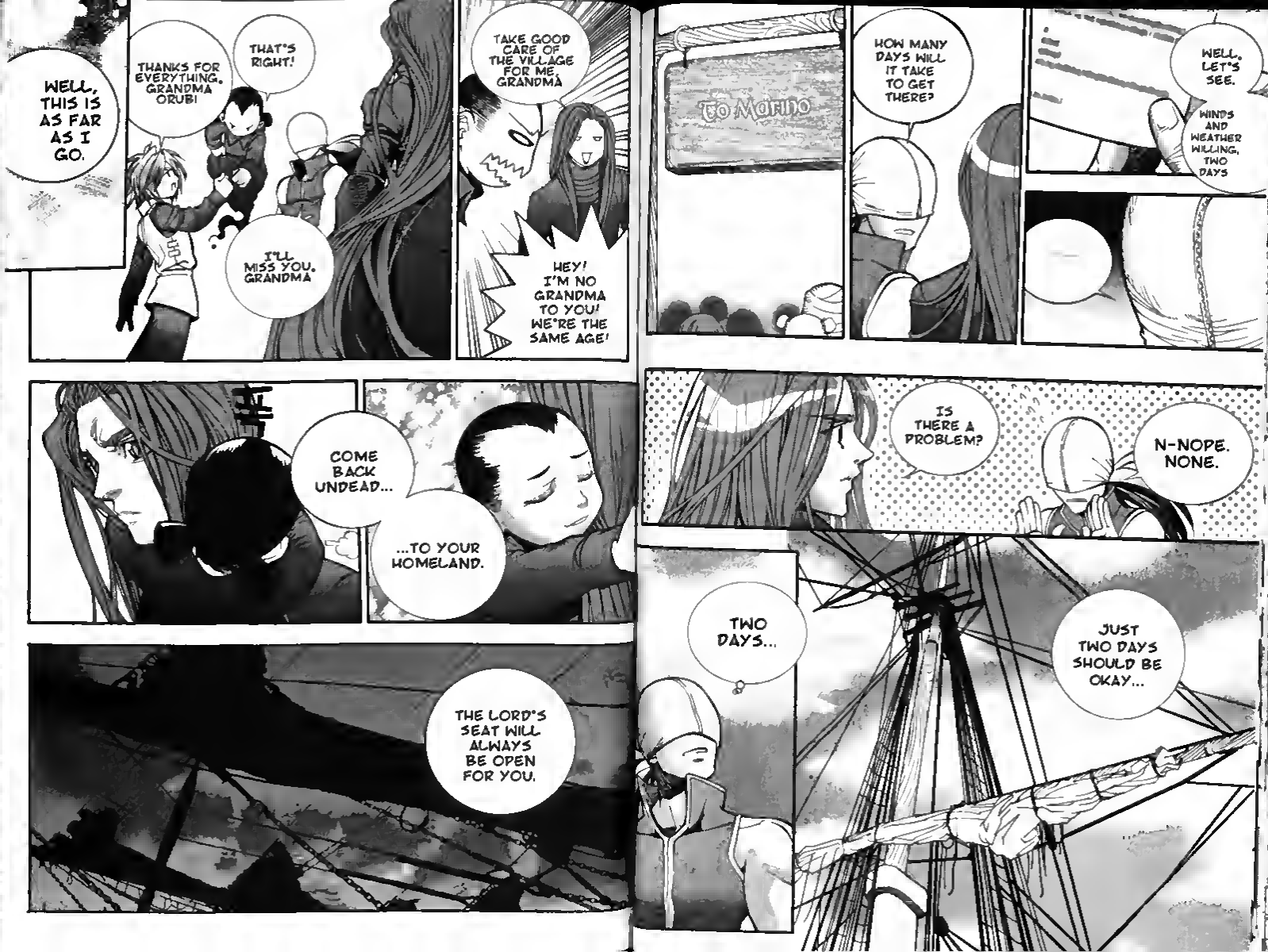
BINGO!
SOUNDS LIKE THE TRUTH FINALLY COMES OUT.

HAVE PLANS FOR THIS FELLOW?
YES WE'LL TURN HIM OVER TO THE LOCAL UNDER-SIX SQUAD OFFICE (SECRETLY)

BUT YOU PROMISED! YOU SAID IF YOU'D LET ME GO IF I TOLD YOU NOT THE U.S.S.


COULDN'T YOU TELL WE WERE PULLING YOUR CHAIN?
WE CAN'T HAVE YOU TELLING GRATIA ABOUT US
JUST BE GLAD YOU'RE ESCAPING WITH YOUR LIFE




WELL, THIS IS AS FAR AS I GO.
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING, GRANDMA ORUBI
THAT'S RIGHT!
I'LL MISS YOU, GRANDMA
TAKE GOOD CARE OF THE VILLAGE FOR ME, GRANDMA
HEY! I'M NO GRANDMA TO YOU! WE'RE THE SAME AGE!
To Marino
HOW MANY DAYS WILL IT TAKE TO GET THERE?
WELL, LET'S SEE.
WINDS AND WEATHER WILLING, TWO DAYS
COME BACK UNDEAD...
...TO YOUR HOMELAND.
IS THERE A PROBLEM?
N-NOPE. NONE.
THE LORD'S SEAT WILL ALWAYS BE OPEN FOR YOU.
TWO DAYS...
JUST TWO DAYS SHOULD BE OKAY...

WHEE! I'M GOING TO CATCH YOU!
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?! HIDE THAT FACE!
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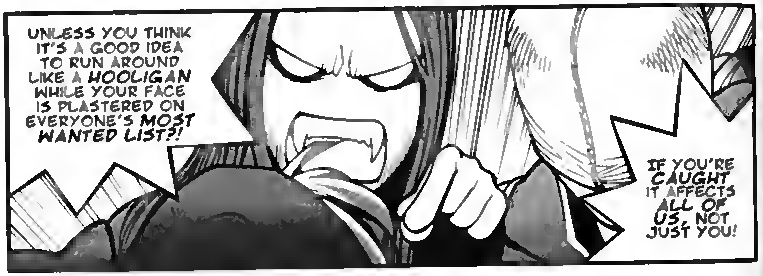
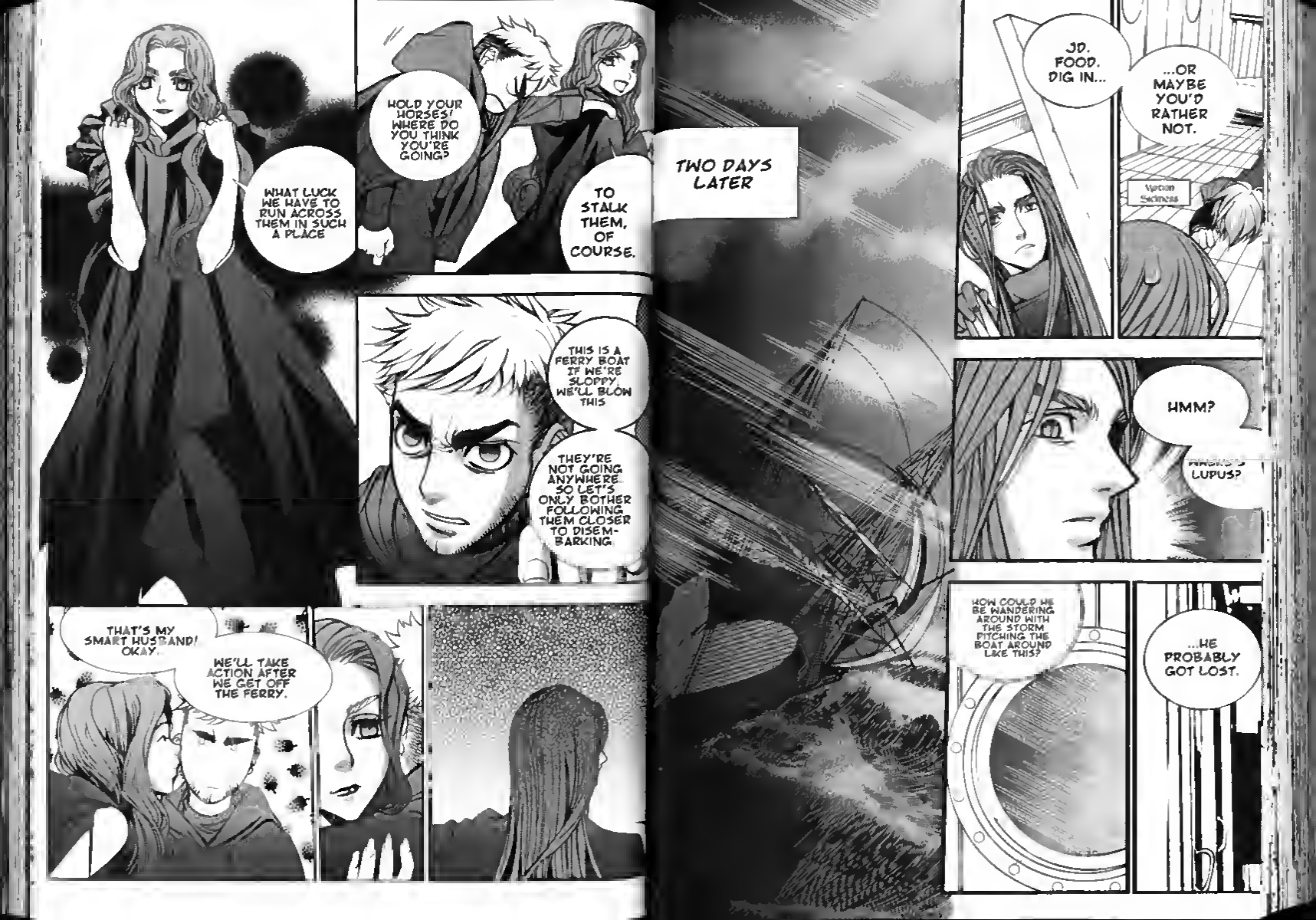
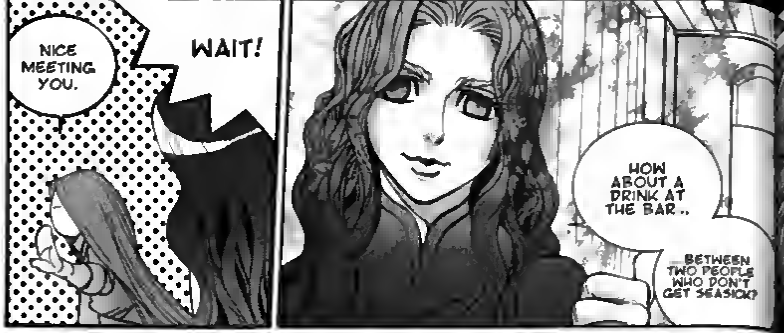

UNLESS YOU THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO RUN AROUND LIKE A HOOLIGAN WHILE YOUR FACE IS PLASTERED ON EVERYONE'S MOST WANTED LIST?!
IF YOU'RE CAUGHT IT AFFECTS ALL OF US, NOT JUST YOU!

WHAT HAVE WE HERE?
DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE FERNAN? I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE SOMETHING SHINY.
IS IT MONEY?

HE'S THE TRAITOR GRIFFORD'S RECAST...
OR IN FERNAN SPEAK, "THE BOUNTY WITH THE BIGGEST PAYOFF OUT THERE."
OH! THAT GUY!


WHAT LUCK WE HAVE TO RUN ACROSS THEM IN SUCH A PLACE
HOLD YOUR HORSES! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
TO STALK THEM, OF COURSE.
TWO DAYS LATER
THIS IS A FERRY BOAT IF WE'RE SLOPPY, WE'LL BLOW THIS
THEY'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE. SO LET'S ONLY BOTHER FOLLOWING THEM CLOSER TO DISEMBARKING.
THAT'S MY SMART HUSBAND! OKAY.
WE'LL TAKE ACTION AFTER WE GET OFF THE FERRY.
JD. FOOD. DIG IN...
...OR MAYBE YOU'D RATHER NOT.
Motion Sickness
HMM?
LUPUS?
HOW COULD HE BE WANDERING AROUND WITH THE STORM PITCHING THE BOAT AROUND LIKE THIS?
...HE PROBABLY GOT LOST.

ATTENTION PASSENGERS. DUE TO THE STORM, OUR TRAVEL TIME HAS INCREASED. WE'RE NEARING THE CENTER OF THE MAELSTROM.
PLEASE EXPECT A BRIEF LULL WHILE IN THE EYE OF THE STORM.
NO... NO...
WE'RE ALL GOING TO DIE!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN ON.
GET OUT. GET OUT. HOW CAN I GET OUT OF HERE?
HE'S NOT HERE, EITHER.
WHERE DID LUPUS GO?
HE'S NOT HERE, EITHER...
LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?
YOUR GIRLFRIEND, PERHAPS?
NO. A WOLF. HE'S WEARING A MASK, SO YOU HAVE TO IDENTIFY HIM BY HIS MOUTH.
MISSING
HAVE YOU SEEN HIM?
OH, HIM? I SAW HIM TOURING THE DECK EARLIER. (LIE)
THE YOUNG ARE RESTLESS, HUMP! HA HA HA!
ho ho ho.


NICE MEETING YOU.
WAIT!
HOW ABOUT A DRINK AT THE BAR..
BETWEEN TWO PEOPLE WHO DON'T GET SEASICK?

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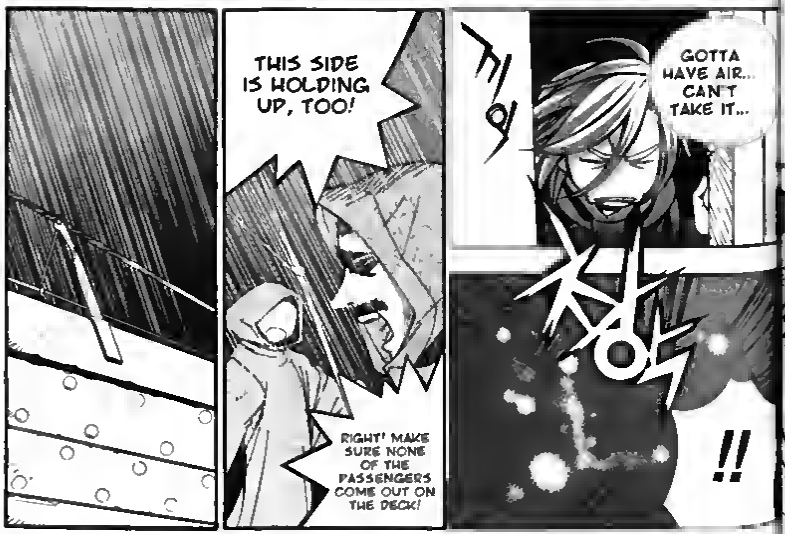
THIS SIDE IS HOLDING UP, TOO!
RIGHT! MAKE SURE NONE OF THE PASSENGERS COME OUT ON THE DECK!
GOTTA HAVE AIR... CAN'T TAKE IT...
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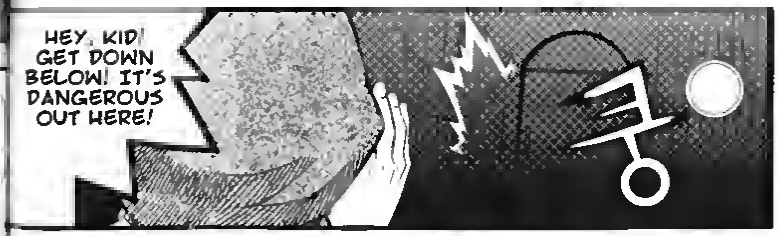
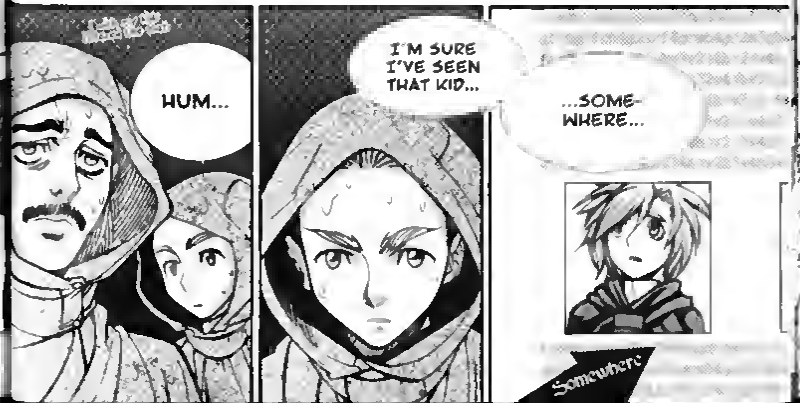
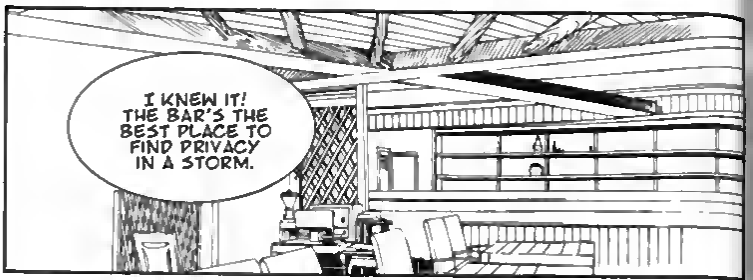
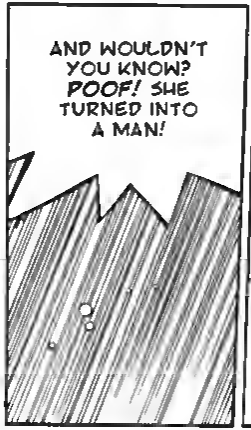
THE SEA . APPEARS TO BE VERTICAL.

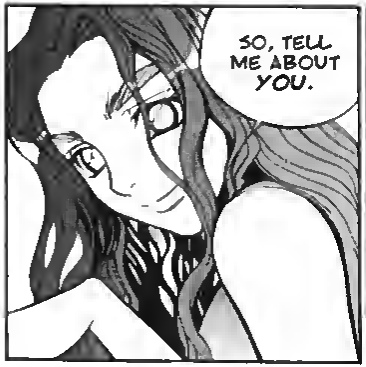

HEY, KID! GET DOWN BELOW! IT'S DANGEROUS OUT HERE!


HUM...
I'M SURE I'VE SEEN THAT KID...
...SOME-WHERE...
Somewhere


I KNEW IT! THE BAR'S THE BEST PLACE TO FIND PRIVACY IN A STORM.


AND WOULDN'T YOU KNOW? POOF! SHE TURNED INTO A MAN!

RUMORS HAVE IT THAT SHE'S SEEKING ME OUT TO GET HER REVENGE-- BRING HER ON, I SAY!
I WAS JUST TRYING TO SPOOK HER, AND I MEAN, I FELT A BIT SORRY FOR HER, A MAN! BUT I PLAYED IT OFF LIKE I'D MEANT TO DO IT.
IS HARMING ANOTHER PERSON SOMETHING TO CARRY ON ABOUT?


SO, TELL ME ABOUT YOU.

MY STORY, HUH?

THE TRUTH IS I HAD A DARK AND TROUBLED CHILDHOOD. MY LITTLE SISTERS ABUSED ME, AND I WORKED VERY HARD TO PROTECT MY TOWN WHEN I WAS YOUNG...
...BUT AFTER MY LITTLE SISTER DIED, I FINALLY DECIDED TO LEAVE TOWN AND...
I DON'T GIVE A D*MN ABOUT YOU! I WANT TO HEAR ABOUT THE BOY!

RIGHT NOW, WE'RE LOOKING FOR A WOMAN NAMED GRATIA.

"WE"? I'D LOVE TO MEET YOUR COMPANIONS.

SHALL WE GO TO MY ROOM?
SURE THING!

GRATIA... I LOOKED ALL OVER FOR YOU, AND HERE I FIND YOU WITH SOME GUY...
SO THIS IS HOW YOU BETRAY ME...
but he just call her "
HONEY! YOU'RE DOING THAT AGAIN!
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU!
FERNAN! CALM DOWN!
GRATIA? FERNAN?
I NEVER IMAGINED RUNNING INTO THEM LIKE THIS!
BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY...
YOU'RE MARRIED TO EACH OTHER?!
that's kinda cute!
WELL, NOW THAT WE ALL KNOW EACH OTHER..
...LET'S GET DOWN TO THE FUN AND GAMES...
...SHALL WE?

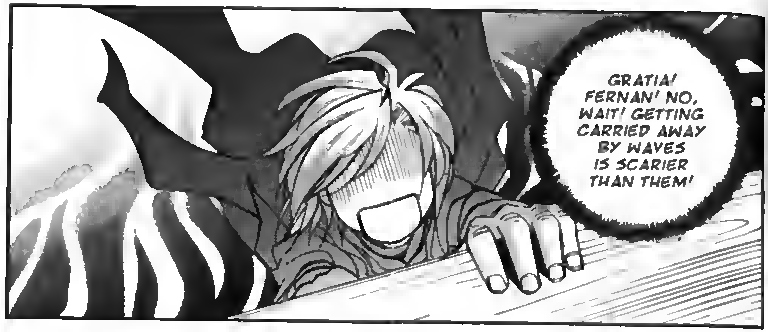
I WAS ABOUT TO GET MORE INFORMATION!
YOU STUPID HUSBAND! WHY AREN'T YOU EVER ANY HELP?!
IT WAS NEVER MY INTENTION TO CREATE SUCH A COMMOTION ON THIS SMALL BOAT
BUT YOU'RE FOOLS IF YOU THINK I'M LETTING THIS PARTY GET RAINED ON BY A STORM
WHOA! A PUPPET?
SO ALLOW ME TO MAKE A SUGGESTION
IT'S GRATIA.
JD! LUPUS! WE'VE GOTTA RUN AWAY!
?
HAND THE CHILD OVER.
...
HEY! WHY ARE YOU CONSIDERING IT?
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
!!
I GUESS YOU'D RATHER HAVE THE EXPERIENCE OF BEING TORN TO SHREDS, THEN I'LL THROW IN A SIDE OF EXCRUCIATING PAIN FOR FREE.
YOU'LL SINK LIFELESS INTO THE BLACK OF THIS MOONLESS NIGHT.
HUH? THOSE WORDS REMIND ME OF SOMETHING...

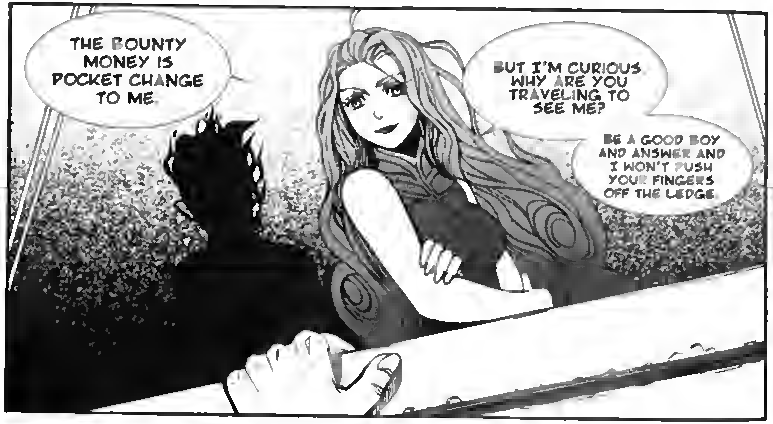
OH NO!!
I LET THAT SLIP MY MIND COMPLETELY!
RUN!
PLEASE! IT'S POINTLESS TO RUN AWAY ON A BOAT!
Be I really making that impression?
SHE'S GOT A POINT, DUDE. WHERE CAN WE RUN TO? WE MIGHT AS WELL FACE THEM...
IT'S NOT THEM I'M RUNNING FROM.
WE HAVE TO FIND LUPUS BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
?!
rumble
LOOK OVER THERE!
THERE'S THE BOY WHO'S WANTED!
PERFECT! NOW WE'RE BEING CHASED FROM BOTH SIDES!
HOW DID THEY KNOW?
Yes sir!
Yes!
Got them!
I'LL BLOCK THEM HERE...
...YOU FIND LUPUS AND HOLD ON TO HIM.
OK
THUD

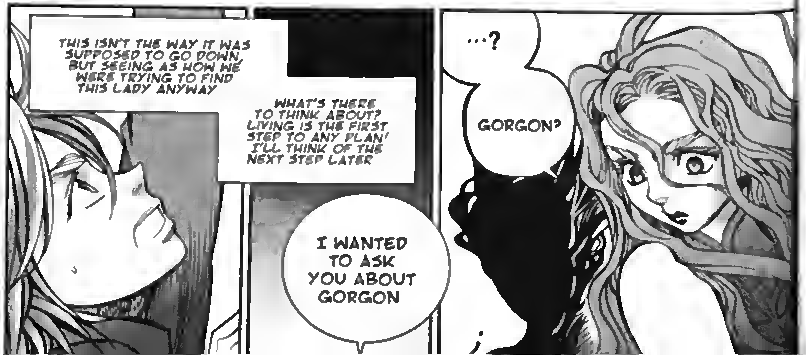
THEY'RE ESCAPING TO THE OUTSIDE!
DON'T LET THEM!
BUT WHERE'S LUPUS?!
HALT!
YOU'RE MY OPPONENTS.
RED SHIELD!

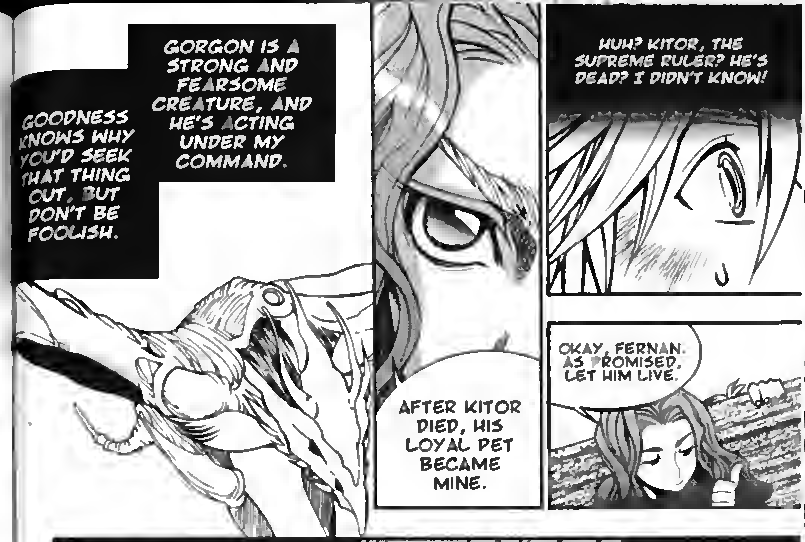
Grawr!
YIKES! WHAT IS THAT THING?
HE TURNED INTO A MONSTER!
OH, SWEET GOMAIA!
EVERYONE, CALM DOWN! WE'VE BEEN UP AGAINST MONSTERS LIKE THIS BEFORE!
...THIS GUY IS NOTHING!
LET'S ATTACK-- WE'VE GOT NOTHING TO LOSE!
OH, RIGHT. I JUST GOT CARRIED AWAY.
THAT'S RIGHT.
...
WE'VE FOUGHT A LOT OF MONSTERS OUT ON THE SEA. A SEA SNAKE WITH MULTIPLE HEADS!
A MAN-EATING SHARK!!!
A GHOST SHIP! COMPARED TO THOSE...
WHAT WITH THOSE EYES?
AGH! MY RED SHIELD!

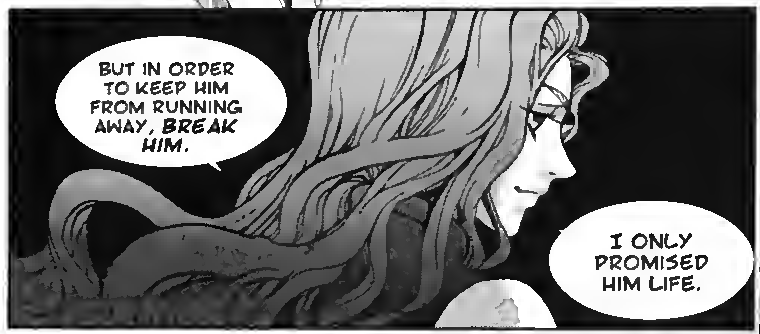
THIS THING...
...IS WHAT ALLOWS HIM TO TRANS-FORM!
HE'S POWERLESS WITHOUT IT. EVERYONE, ATTACK TO YOUR HEARTS' CONTENT!
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU! YOU SHOULD HAVE ANSWERED ME!
WHAT? WHAT'S BEHIND ME?
HUH? IT'S CALMER.
mumble
??
LUPUS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING OVER THERE?
LOOKS LIKE WE GOT A BIG CATCH.


GRATIA! FERNAN! NO, WAIT! GETTING CARRIED AWAY BY WAVES IS SCARIER THAN THEM!


THE BOUNTY MONEY IS POCKET CHANGE TO ME.
BUT I'M CURIOUS WHY ARE YOU TRAVELING TO SEE ME?
BE A GOOD BOY AND ANSWER AND I WON'T PUSH YOUR FINGERS OFF THE LEDGE.


THIS ISN'T THE WAY IT WAS SUPPOSED TO GO DOWN, BUT SEEING AS HOW WE WERE TRYING TO FIND THIS LADY ANYWAY
WHAT'S THERE TO THINK ABOUT? LIVING IS THE FIRST STEP TO ANY PLAN! I'LL THINK OF THE NEXT STEP LATER
I WANTED TO ASK YOU ABOUT GORGON
…?
GORGON?


GOODNESS KNOWS WHY YOU'D SEEK THAT THING OUT, BUT DON'T BE FOOLISH.
GORGON IS A STRONG AND FEARSOME CREATURE, AND HE'S ACTING UNDER MY COMMAND.
AFTER KITOR DIED, HIS LOYAL PET BECAME MINE.
HUH? KITOR, THE SUPREME RULER? HE'S DEAD? I DIDN'T KNOW!
OKAY, FERNAN. AS PROMISED, LET HIM LIVE.


BUT IN ORDER TO KEEP HIM FROM RUNNING AWAY, BREAK HIM.
I ONLY PROMISED HIM LIFE.

HERE IT COMES!
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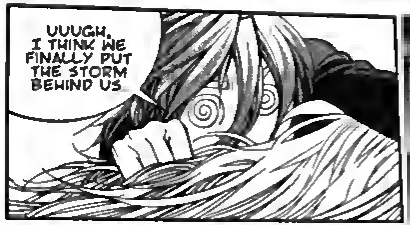
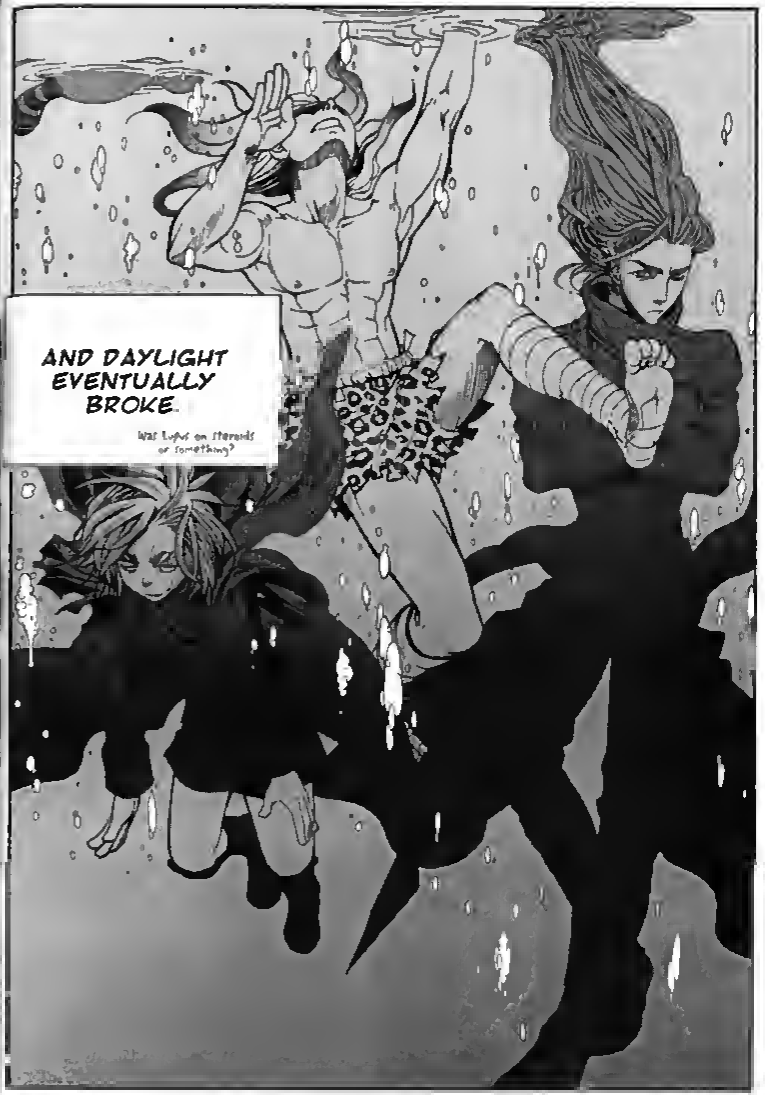
I GET IT!!
THAT'S WHY HE TOLD ME TO GO FIND LUPUS!
?!

THUS ENDED THEIR ILL-FATED BOAT TRIP.

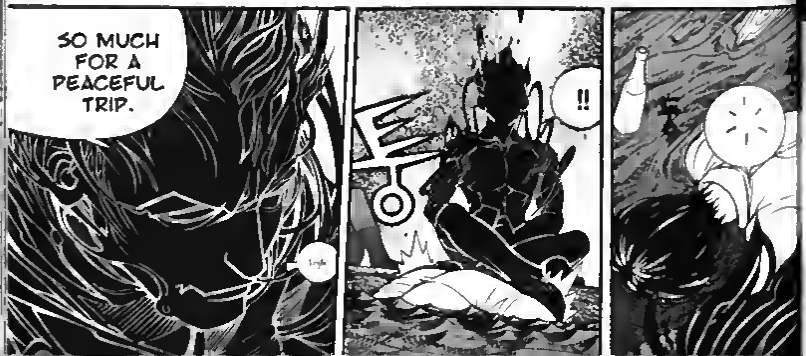

UUUGH. I THINK WE FINALLY PUT THE STORM BEHIND US

WHEN DAYLIGHT BREAKS, WE'LL REALLY BE IN HOT WATER!
..WE'LL HAVE YOU TO THANK FOR OUR DEATHS!

LUPUS, WE OWE YOU OUR LIVES, BUT IF YOU DON'T SWIM FASTER...


AND DAYLIGHT EVENTUALLY BROKE.
Was Lupus on steroids or something?

MEANWHILE...
..THE BOAT'S OTHER PASSENGERS ..
Saw Lupus' face straight-on.


SO MUCH FOR A PEACEFUL TRIP.
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AHA! IT'S NOT A TOTAL WASH! THESE BODIES CAN BE USEFUL.

WIND AND WAVES, GUIDE THESE WATER-LOGGED BODIES...
...TO A NEW PORT.
AT LEAST I'LL GET TO FEED THOSE VORACIOUS CREATURES
TO MARINO ISLAND!

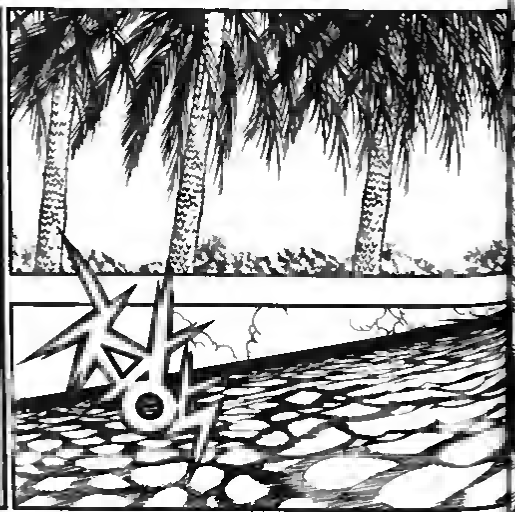
WHAT'S THAT BELT YOU'RE WEARING?
IT'S QUITE GRAND.
THIS?
I BROUGHT SOME POTIONS WITH ME FROM HOME.
DEAR ME, AND YOU SEEM TO HAVE BROUGHT ALL THE USEFUL ONES.
He must have scolded you all out being the potion maker's daughter
I'M SO PROUD OF YOU.
UMM, I'VE BEEN OUT OF THIS ONE FOR A LONG TIME
Hehe!
TAKE WHAT YOU NEED.
SHEESH, YOU SHOULD'VE JUST ASKED FOR IT.

NO NEED TO BE MODEST THEN
I'LL TAKE THE BEST ONE
FOR THE TIME BEING, I'M TRAVELING WITH MY MOM SINCE GRATIA ALSO HAPPENS TO COMMAND ALL THE PUPPETS, THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE I'LL BE ABLE TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT JP FROM HER
HENCE, OUR CURRENT DESTINATION IS MARINO BAY
THE GUIDEBOOK SAYS THAT MARINO WAS ONCE A BIG UNINHABITED ISLAND, BUT NOW IT'S A POPULAR RESORT DESTINATION
PUPPET HEADQUARTERS IS A RESORT ISLAND?
BUTTERFLIES AND KNOTS PLAYED IN MY STOMACH. THE FEELING INTENSIFIED WHEN AN OLD FRIEND CROSSED MY PATH, AND HIS REACTION WAS UNEXPECTED...

GOR-GON?! WHAT'S GORGON DOING HERE?
IS IT REALLY YOU, GORGON? IT'S ME, LAIN!
PARDON ME, COMING--
OH! IT'S THAT MONSTER AGAIN!
HE FLEW OFF? HE USED TO COME RIGHT TO ME WHENEVER I CALLED

SO I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN IN THE FIFTH WORLD.
SO YOU KNOW... ABOUT THE DEATH OF SIRE KITOR.

WHY WAS I THE ONLY ONE WHO DIDN'T KNOW?



I HEAR WAVES... I WAS SHIPWRECKED ...
I FEEL LIKE I'M STILL ALIVE... BUT WHAT'S ALL SOFT AND SLIMY...?

SOFT?! SLIMY?!
ACK!

!!!

KYAAA! LET ME GO! NOT COOL!

WAIT-- IS SHE GONNA EAT ME?!

HELP!! WHY IS SHE SO STRONG?! HER ARMS!
THE LAST TIME SOMEONE HUGGED ME THIS HARD, SOMETHING REALLY BIZARRE HAPPENED--

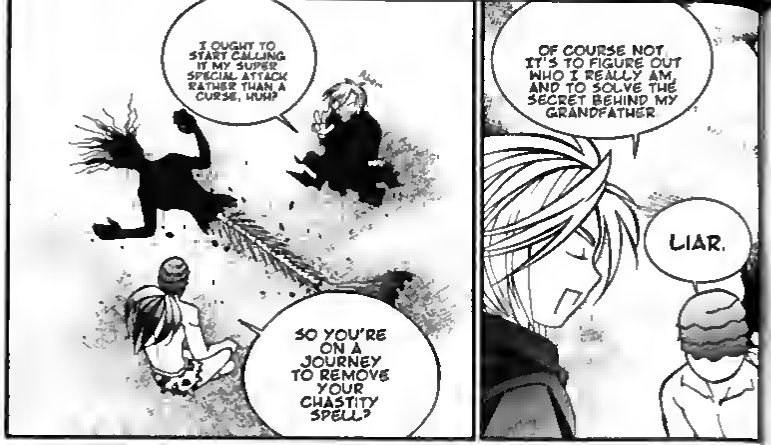
??

JD! IS THAT YOU?!
...!

I SAW YOU WERE IN DANGER, SO I CAME RUNNING! WHAT HAPPENED?
NICE MASK. IS IT SEAWEED?

WHAT WAS THAT LIGHTNING JUST NOW? THIS THING LOOKS PRETTY COOKED.
Fried Fish.

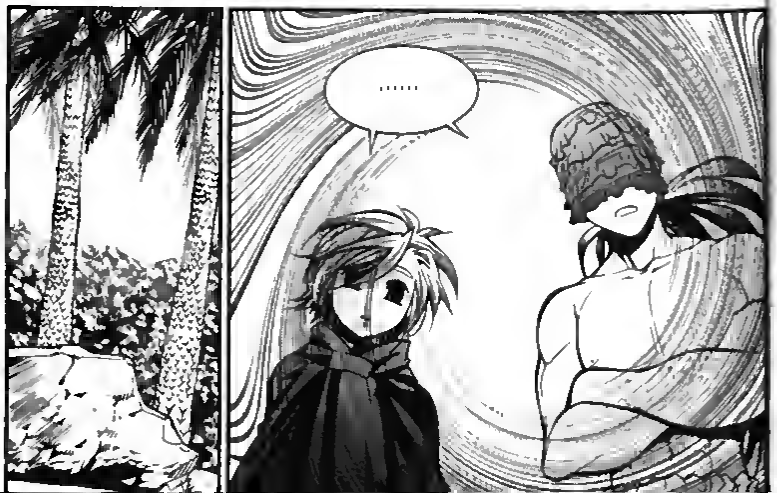
OH, I SEE.


I OUGHT TO START CALLING IT MY SUPER SPECIAL ATTACK RATHER THAN A CURSE, HUH?
Alan
SO YOU'RE ON A JOURNEY TO REMOVE YOUR CHASTITY SPELL?
OF COURSE NOT. IT'S TO FIGURE OUT WHO I REALLY AM, AND TO SOLVE THE SECRET BEHIND MY GRANDFATHER.
LIAR.

Censored out of respect for Blaise
LOOKS LIKE A PUFFER FISH, DOESN'T HE?
MORE LIKE A DRIED SQUID.
HE'S RED, SO I'VE GOTTA GO WITH DRIED OCTOPUS.

Grr, but natural laws are... getting the per
WELL, MEAL'S DONE. LET'S GO FIND BLAISE.
HE WOULD'VE WASHED UP AROUND HERE

HEY, IS HE EVEN ALIVE--
I'M NOT DEAD !!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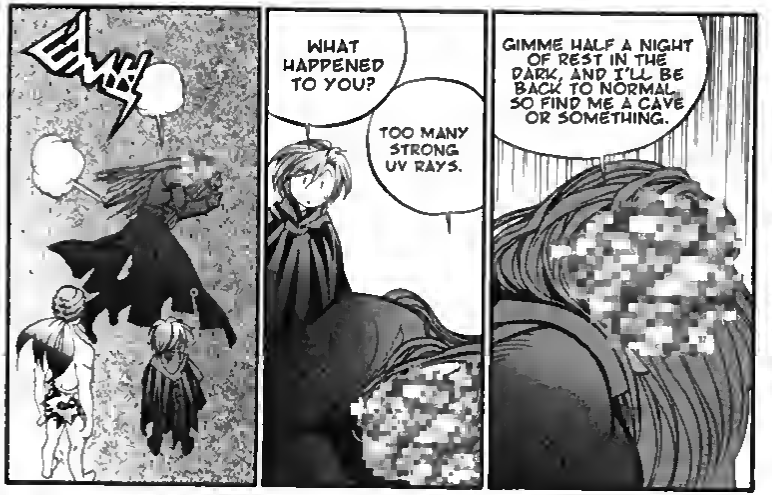
EMM
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
TOO MANY STRONG UV RAYS.
GIMME HALF A NIGHT OF REST IN THE DARK, AND I'LL BE BACK TO NORMAL. SO FIND ME A CAVE OR SOMETHING.

ARE YOU SETTLED?
I'M GONNA LOOK AROUND.
JEEZ...
YOU KNOW.
THERE'S NO ONE IN ANY DIRECTION. IS THIS ISLAND EVEN INHABITED?
I SMELL SOMETHING FRIGHTENING.

OOOKAY. SO IT'S NOT INHABITED AFTER ALL. THERE'S NO ONE HERE.
WE HAVEN'T LOOKED EVERYWHERE YET

WHO CARES WHETHER IT IS?
BLAISE JUST HAS TO TRANSFORM INTO A BAT AND WE FLY AWAY.
GOOD POINT! I FORGOT.
THAT MAKES THINGS EASY, HUH?
NOW, HOW SHALL WE GOOF OFF UNTIL THEN?

LET'S PLAY "CAST-AWAY"!
1. REMOVE AND WEAR SHOES FROM THE BLOATED BODIES WASHED UP NEARBY
BARF!
2. TAKE A PEEK AT SOMEONE BATHING AT THE WATERFALL.
ACK!
3. FEAST ON SUSHI.
4. FORM TWO WARRING TRIBES.
WE'RE THE ONLY ONES HERE!
WHY ME?!
5. OFFER A LIVE SACRIFICE TO THE GODS OF THE ISLAND.
...TO BE STRANDED WITH A BEAUTIFUL GIRL THAT YOU GREW UP WITH AS A CHILD!
ARGH. I KNEW THAT SOMETHING WAS MISSING FROM #2.
HEY, BY "BEAUTIFUL GIRL" ...
AREN'T WE SUPPOSED TO BE BUILDING A HOUSE WITH PALM FRONDS, OR WRITING A BIG "SOS" ON THE BEACH, OR BUILDING RAFTS OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
AH, THAT'S RIGHT!
...DO YOU MEAN SOMEONE LIKE THAT?
WE'RE MISSING THE MOST IMPORTANT THING...
MAN, THIS SUCKS.
ETC.
?
THE WHOLE POINT OF BEING ON A DESERTED ISLAND IS
BEAUTI-FUL.

I STILL FEEL LIKE WE'RE MISSING OUT ON SOMETHING IMPORTANT...
AH! IT'S A BOAT!
HEY! WE'RE STRANDED HERE! HELP!
Out of hearing range
HM? WHAT'S THAT?

THANKS FOR THE WELCOME!

WHO'RE THEY?
FRIENDLY LOCALS, I THINK!

HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! WE'RE ASKING FOR HELP!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?!

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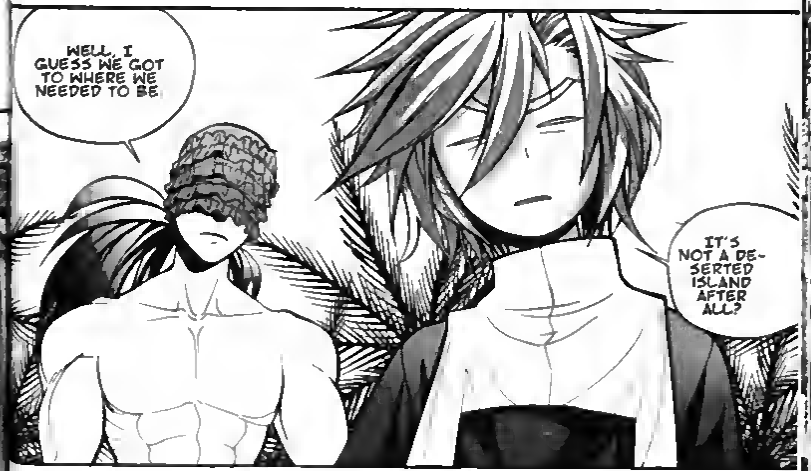
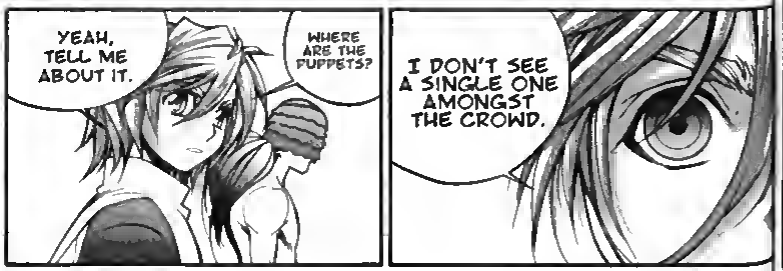
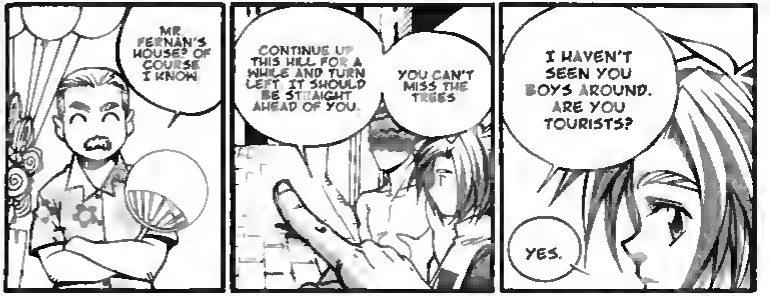

WELL, I GUESS WE GOT TO WHERE WE NEEDED TO BE.
IT'S NOT A DESERTED ISLAND AFTER ALL?

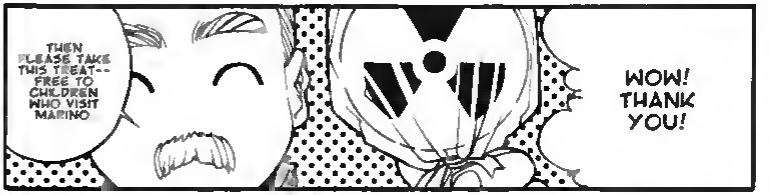
Y'KNOW, I WOULDN'T HAVE EXPECTED...

...THIS PLACE TO BE SO BUSTLING.


YEAH, TELL ME ABOUT IT.
WHERE ARE THE PUPPETS?
I DON'T SEE A SINGLE ONE AMONGST THE CROWD.

WELL, LET'S STICK TO "PLAN A" AND GO TO GRATIA AND FERNAN'S PLACE
THERE MIGHT BE SOMETHING THERE


MR. FERNAN'S HOUSE? OF COURSE I KNOW
CONTINUE UP THIS HILL FOR A WHILE AND TURN LEFT. IT SHOULD BE STRAIGHT AHEAD OF YOU.
YOU CAN'T MISS THE TREES
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU BOYS AROUND. ARE YOU TOURISTS?
YES.

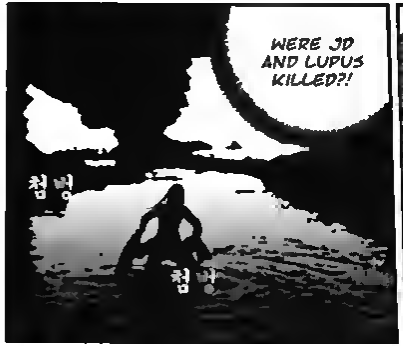

THEN PLEASE TAKE THIS TREAT-- FREE TO CHILDREN WHO VISIT MARINO
WOW! THANK YOU!

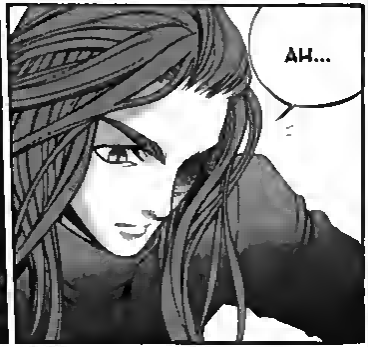
PEOPLE ARE REALLY FRIENDLY HERE.
Can I have a lick, too?

Nothin' here.
ALL RIGHT! NOBODY'S HOME!
YAWN! THAT WAS A NICE NAP.
THEY HAVEN'T RETURNED FROM THE SHIPWRECK YET.
IN FACT, THEY MAY EVEN BE DEAD.
IN THAT CASE!
LET'S GO TAKE IT OVER!
THOSE GUYS STILL AREN'T BACK?
I BETTER GO LOOKING FOR THEM.
BUT...
WHICH WAY DID WE COME FROM?
WIND'S BLOWING FROM BOTH SIDES...
WHAT-EVER, I'LL JUST GO THIS WAY!
*In the opposite direction
KACHUNK

WAIT! I KNOW THIS SCENT!

IT'S BLOOD!


WERE JD AND LUPUS KILLED?!


AH...

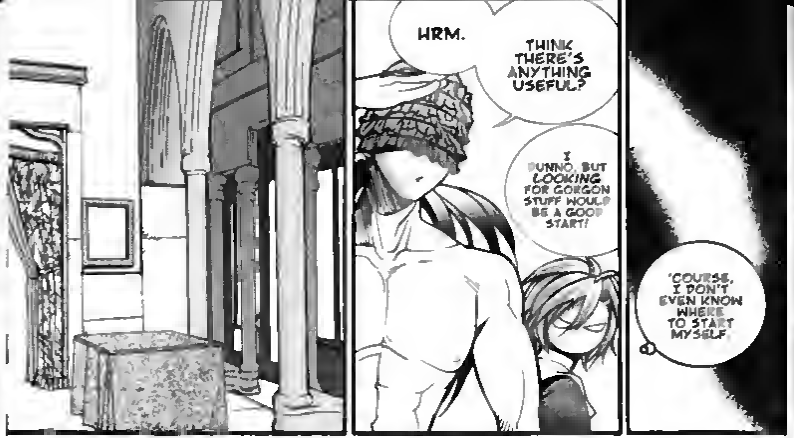
WHAT THE...?

OH MY GOD.

WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

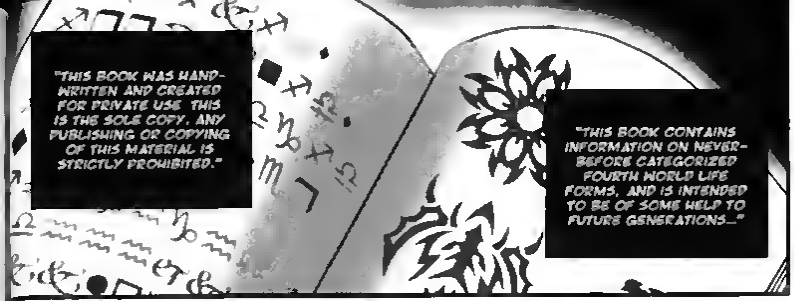
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
THESE ARE HUMAN REMAINS!
THESE SAME PEOPLE WERE OUR FELLOW PASSEN-GERS.
THE WAVES AND THE ROCKS DIDN'T DO THIS--THEY WERE EATEN!
saint • ♎ • ♏ ♑
IF I'M LUCKY MY RED SHIELD'S WITH THE REST OF THE WRECKAGE HERE...
...THOUGH LIKELY IT JUST SUNK.
STILL, WHAT CAUSED THIS MACABRE SCENE?
THAT'S OUR BOAT. THE BOAT LUPUS DESTROYED.
YES, THOSE ARE THE CREW'S UNIFORMS!
A SEA MONSTER? OR WAS IT SOMETHING FROM THIS ISLAND?

I DON'T THINK THEY'RE PUPPETS WITHOUT SEEING THEM, I CAN'T TELL FOR SURE.
I DOUBT IT'S FERNAN OR GRATIA THEMSELVES.
HIDE!
THEY'RE GONE.
YOU CAN COME OUT. THEY WERE PROBABLY JUST DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES REPS. WE GOT SCARED FOR NOTHING.
WELL, THEN SHALL WE PROCEED?
IT'S JUST AS THE ISLAND'S RESIDENTS SAID--THERE'S NO ONE HERE.
UM, NORMALLY
SOMEONE LOOKING FOR REVENGE DOESN'T KNOCK ON THE FRONT DOOR, DO THEY?
IT'S AN AWFUL NICE HOUSE TO GO WITHOUT OCCUPANTS.
YEAH, LOOKS LIKE IT'S THE BIGGEST HOUSE ON THE ISLAND.
PRECISELY. THEY'LL NEVER EXPECT IT.
THAT'S WHY SHOWING UP AT THE FRONT DOOR IS EXACTLY WHAT WE'LL DO!
YOU CAN'T SURPRISE PEOPLE WHO AREN'T HOME.


HRM.
I THINK THERE'S ANYTHING USEFUL?
I DUNNO, BUT LOOKING FOR GORGON STUFF WOULD BE A GOOD START!
'COURSE, I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE TO START MYSELF.

OOH, A LIBRARY. THERE'S BOUND TO BE SOMETHING HERE

An Illustrated Encyclopedia of Fourth-World Organisms, by Gerard Wisecraft Arnyard
GRANDPA WROTE THIS? GOSH, HE WROTE A BOOK ON TOP OF EVERYTHING ELSE?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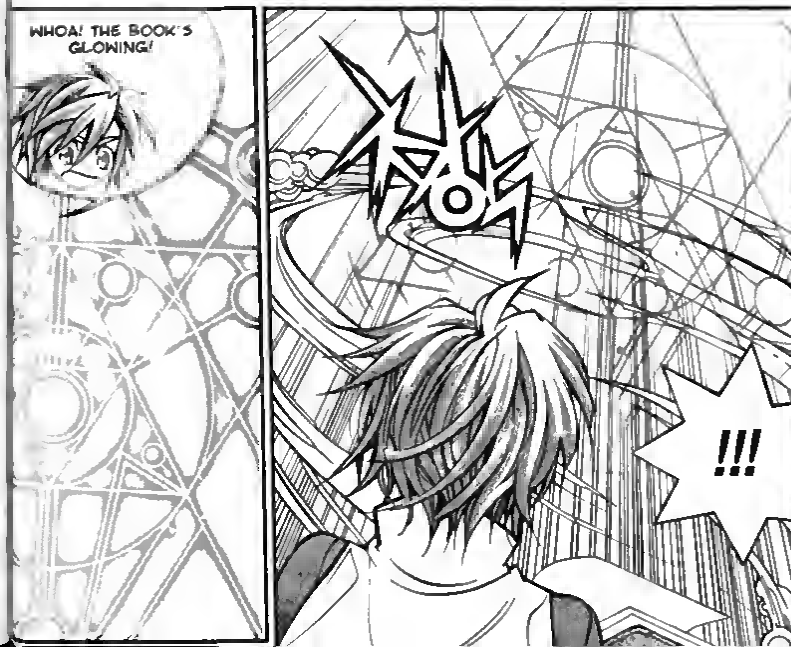
"THIS BOOK CONTAINS INFORMATION ON NEVER-BEFORE CATEGORIZED FOURTH WORLD LIFE FORMS, AND IS INTENDED TO BE OF SOME HELP TO FUTURE GENERATIONS..."

"...AND IF YOU'RE READING THIS BOOK RIGHT NOW :D, WAIT JUST A MOMENT!"
HUH?


WHOA! THE BOOK'S GLOWING!
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GRANDPA? IS THAT YOU, GRANDPA?!
I'M JUST A RECORD-ING.
JD, THIS MESSAGE WAS PUT IN HERE ONLY FOR YOU.
IF YOU HAVE THIS BOOK IN YOUR HANDS, IT MEANS THAT YOU'RE VERY CLOSE TO MAKING IT TO THE FOURTH WORLD
YOU MUST COME RUNNING THINKING THAT THIS WAS REALLY ME, YOU?
YOU NEED TO BE STRONGER THAN THAT!
WHO GOT ALL DOLLED UP TO RECORD HIMSELF?
I WROTE THIS BOOK FOR YOU. YOU'RE LOOKING FOR INFORMATION ON GORGON, RIGHT?
FOR NOW, GORGON IS THE ONLY PATHWAY TO THE FOURTH WORLD. FIND HIM, AND GORGON WILL TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING.
THE SPELL TO SUMMON GORGON IS IN THIS BOOK. FIND SOMEONE WHO KNOWS HOW TO READ SPELLS FROM THE FOURTH WORLD. FRAUDS LIKE FERNAN OR GRATIA DON'T COUNT!
THIS IS ALL THE ADVICE I HAVE FOR YOUR JOURNEY. OH, AND THERE'S ONE MORE THING.
HUH? THAT'S IT? I STILL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING!
IF GORGON FAILS TO RECOGNIZE YOU AND ENDANGERS YOU, SHOUT OUT "ELABA!" HE'LL UNDERSTAND
FAREWELL, JD. BEST OF LUCK ON YOUR JOURNEY TO THE FOURTH WORLD.

DANG IT! NO, GRANDPA!
I THOUGHT YOU'D SOLVE EVERYTHING FOR ME!
BUT YOU JUST SAID A BUNCH OF VAGUE STUFF AND DISAPPEARED!
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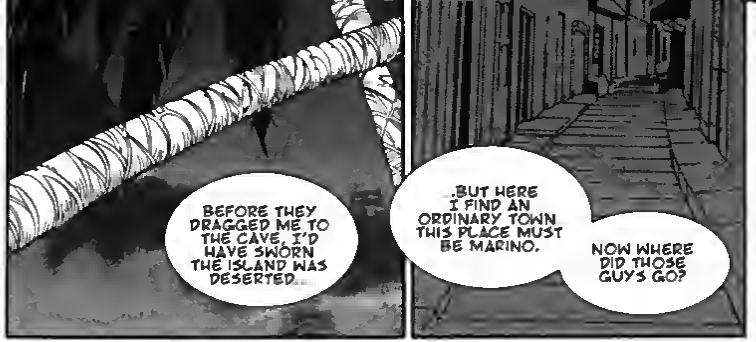
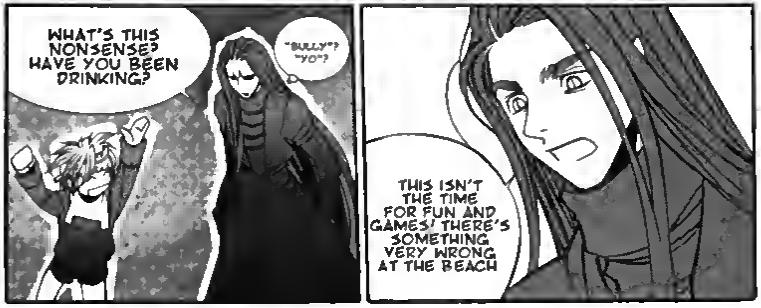
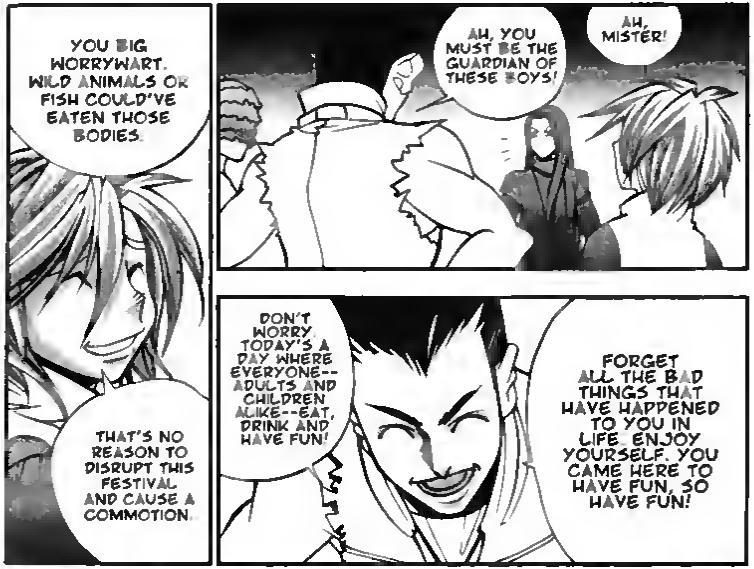
THERE'S A FESTIVAL?
DID YOU FIND WHAT YOU WERE LOOKING FOR?
I'M NOT SURE.
BUT I'M SURE I'VE FOUND ALL I CAN. I DON'T NEED ANYTHING ELSE FROM THIS PLACE.
LET'S GO WAKE UP BLAISE AND SPLIT, PRONTO!
WHAT THE HECK?
EXCUSE ME. WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHY, A FESTIVAL, SILLY! EAT AND DRINK AS MUCH AS YOU WANT, AND HAVE SOME FUN!
EAT, DRINK AND HAVE FUN?

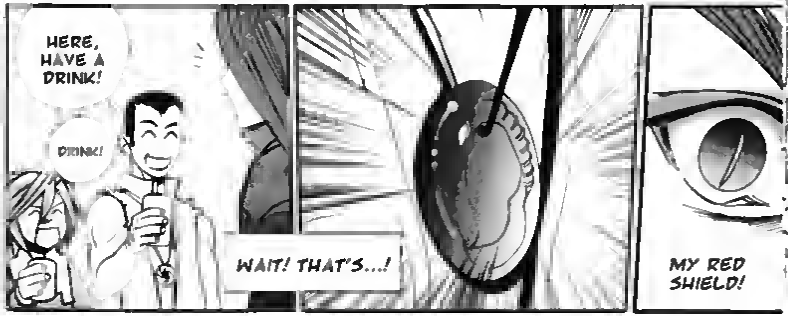

BEFORE THEY DRAGGED ME TO THE CAVE, I'D HAVE SWORN THE ISLAND WAS DESERTED...
...BUT HERE I FIND AN ORDINARY TOWN. THIS PLACE MUST BE MARINO.
NOW WHERE DID THOSE GUYS GO?

[1]GRIFFORD'S NICKNAME FOR BLAISE. SEE VOL 1, PAGE 48.


WHAT'S THIS NONSENSE? HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING?
"BULLY"? "YO"?
THIS ISN'T THE TIME FOR FUN AND GAMES! THERE'S SOMETHING VERY WRONG AT THE BEACH

THE REMNANTS OF SHREDDED BODIES ARE STREWN ALL ACROSS THE BEACH. TRAILS OF BLOOD LED INLAND
YET THESE PEOPLE ARE CELEBRATING AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED?


YOU BIG WORRYWART. WILD ANIMALS OR FISH COULD'VE EATEN THOSE BODIES.
THAT'S NO REASON TO DISRUPT THIS FESTIVAL AND CAUSE A COMMOTION.
AH, YOU MUST BE THE GUARDIAN OF THESE BOYS!
AH, MISTER!
DON'T WORRY TODAY'S A DAY WHERE EVERYONE--ADULTS AND CHILDREN ALIKE--EAT, DRINK AND HAVE FUN!
FORGET ALL THE BAD THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED TO YOU IN LIFE. ENJOY YOURSELF. YOU CAME HERE TO HAVE FUN, SO HAVE FUN!



I SEE NOW. WHAT'S BEEN BOTHERING ME IS THAT SMELL...
WHERE DID YOU GET THAT PENDANT?
HUH? IS THERE A PROBLEM? IT'S A FAMILY HEIRLOOM
PLAYING DUMB IS ALMOST AS REVOLTING...
?!
...AS THE STENCH OF HUMAN BLOOD ON YOUR BREATH!!

SO, THIS KID JD...
DOESN'T HE SEEM FAMILIAR TO YOU?
HOW COULD HE? I'VE NEVER MET HIM
HERE'S YOUR DRINK

MORE THAN HUMANS LIVE IN THE FIFTH WORLD, HUH?

THAT WAITER JUST NOW-- HE'S NOT HUMAN.
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?!
ON THE BACK OF HIS NECK...
...THERE'S A MAGICAL MARK
IT'S A FOURTH WORLD MARK, SO NO ONE HERE WOULD RECOGNIZE IT
THEY'D THINK IT WAS A TATTOO BUT IN REALITY

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THERE'S A MONSTER IN THERE?

...IT'S A MARK THAT LETS SAVAGE BEINGS MASQUERADE AS HUMAN BEINGS YOU KNOW, THIS MARK
YOU FORGOT ALL ABOUT IT?

NO, THAT CAN'T BE...
IS THERE A WAY WE CAN FIND OUT THEIR TRUE FORM?

JEEZ.
YOU SCARED ME
WELL, I BROUGHT THE "EYE OF THE TRUTH" POTION WITH ME.

HERE IT IS.
SHALL I DRINK IT?

AND?
WOW I CAN SEE YOU AS A WOMAN AND ALL AROUND US ..
WHAT IS IT?
WHAT?
HE'S TURNING INTO A MONSTER!
IT'S A MON-STER!
YOU SEE?! I TOLD YOU!

IT'S NOT JUST HIM!
MORE OF THEM ARE CHANGING INTO MONSTERS
WHAT'S THAT?!
FERNAN?!
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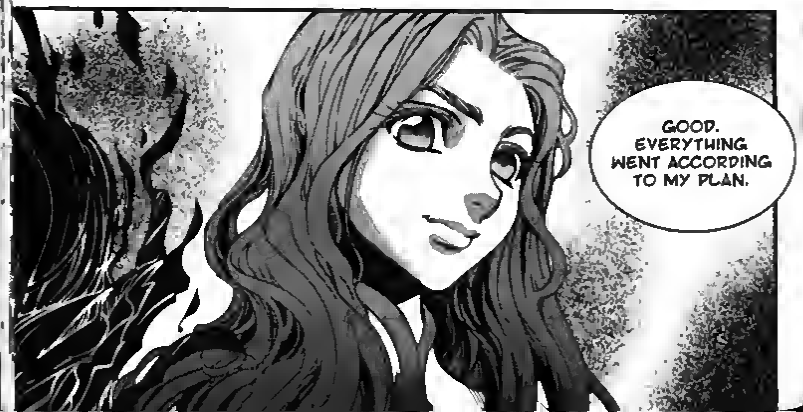
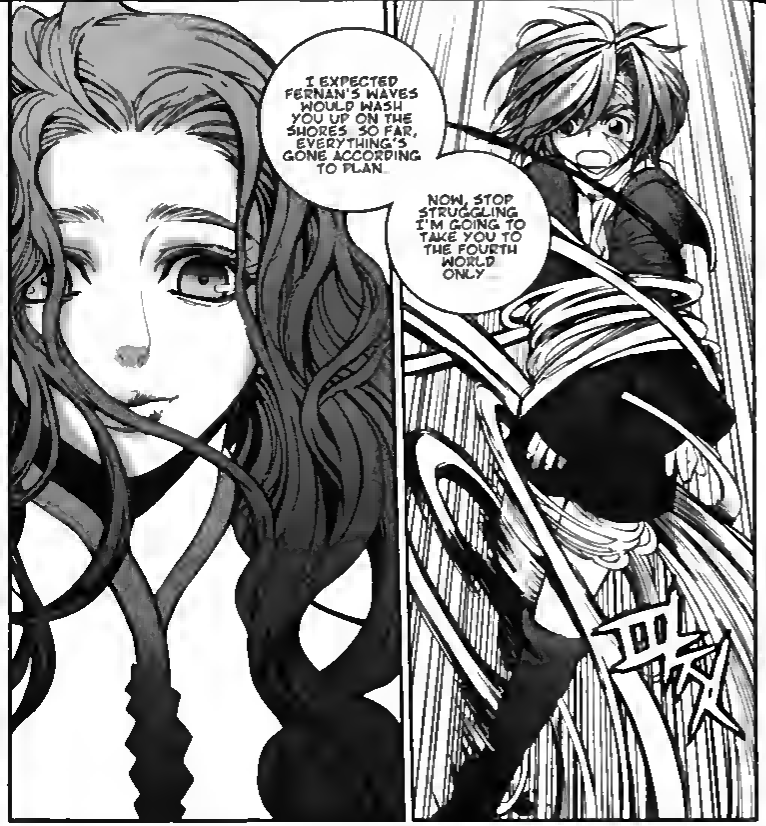
FERNAN! GRATIA!

FIRST THINGS FIRST YOU BOYS NEED TO EXERCISE A LITTLE RESTRAINT.
YOU MAY HAVE GIVEN US TROUBLE ON THE BOAT, BUT WE'VE HAD TIME TO ANALYZE YOU, AND IT'S COMING IN HANDY NOW.


GOOD. EVERYTHING WENT ACCORDING TO MY PLAN.

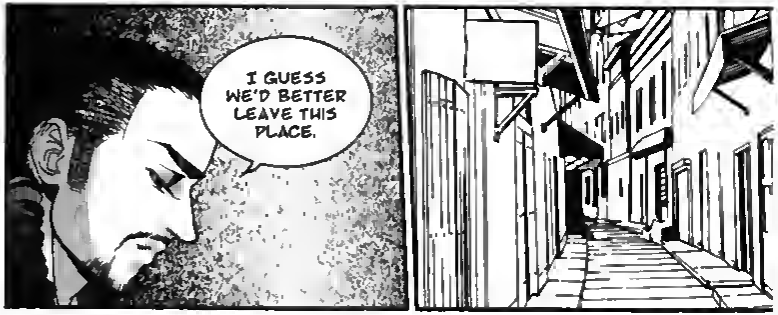
ARE YOU SHOCKED? ANYONE OUGHT TO RECOGNIZE WHEN SOMETHING'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE.
JUST LIKE THIS RESORT TOWN IS MERELY A ZOO FOR MY CREATIONS
IT WAS A DESERTED ISLAND ONCE, BUT NOW IT'S MY KINGDOM.
I WASN'T QUITE THOROUGH ENOUGH IN THEIR CREATION, SO THESE GUYS HAVE TO EAT HUMANS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THEMSELVES.


I EXPECTED FERNAN'S WAVES WOULD WASH YOU UP ON THE SHORES. SO FAR, EVERYTHING'S GONE ACCORDING TO PLAN.
NOW, STOP STRUGGLING I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU TO THE FOURTH WORLD ONLY.

...YOU WON'T MAKE IT THERE ALIVE.

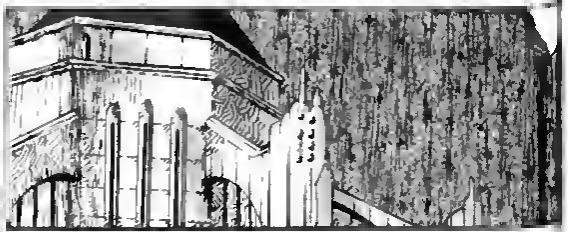
THEY'RE ALL MAN-EATING MONSTERS.
THEY'RE SHODDY SO THEY'RE PROBABLY...
...CREATURES GRATIA MADE.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TOURISTS, PRETTY MUCH ALL THE "PEOPLE" ARE MONSTERS
THEIR SHEER NUMBERS ARE VAST.
WE'RE NOT PREPARED TO HANDLE A SITUATION LIKE THIS.


I GUESS WE'D BETTER LEAVE THIS PLACE.

MOM'S RIGHT. LET'S HOPE WE CAN LEAVE BEFORE SOMETHING HAPPENS!

SIRE KITOR! THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT! WHY DID YOU HAVE TO DIE AND MAKE ME GO THROUGH THIS?
I MISS YOU. JUST BEING BY YOUR SIDE MADE ME FEEL EVERYTHING WAS ALL RIGHT



THAT'S STRANGE...

WASN'T THIS THE WAY TO THE PORT?
IT'S TOO QUIET...
AAH!

RUN! THEY'RE EATING HUMANS!
AARGH! I CAN SEE THEM, TOO! THEY MUST'VE UNDONE THEIR TRANSFORMATIONS!

GRATIA! THAT WENCH!
SHE'S GOT SOME KID...
Isn't that what's his name?
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THIS CAN'T BE...
AM I DREAMING? I PRAY I'M NOT...
LAIN?
SHOW THYSELF!
LORD OF THE SKIES! LOYAL SERVANT OF THE SUPREME RULER!
I SUMMON THEE WITH MY POWERS!
ISN'T THIS THE SPELL TO SUMMON GORGON?
LAIN?!

OOPS!
I HAVE NO PLAN!
DON'T BE SCARED! YOU HAVE THE POWERFUL POTIONS THAT YOUR FATHER GAVE YOU
AH! KYA!
THAT'S THE GIRL FROM THE BOAT EARLIER! WHAT'S SHE DOING HERE?
WHAT'S SHE DOING HERE?
KITOR'S FIANCÉE?!
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IT WORKED! THEY STOPPED IN THEIR TRACKS! I'LL JUST CHARGE AHEAD LIKE THIS AND...
TOO LATE IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU DO NOW THAT HE'S ARRIVED...
?!!

NOOO! AND GRANDPA TOLD ME THAT EVERYTHING WAS GOING TO BE OKAY! THAT LIAR!
GORGON, I COMMAND YOU! KILL THAT CHILD!
DON'T YOU EVEN RECOGNIZE WHO THIS IS?!
STOP IT! HOW DARE YOU ATTACK HIM?!
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UM, WHO ARE YOU? HAVE WE MET?
IS TWELVE YEARS LONG ENOUGH TO FORGET ME?
MAYBE THIS WILL JOG YOUR MEMORY
AH! GORGON!
IT'S GREAT AND ALL THAT I DIDN'T HAVE TO FIND THE THING, BUT I CAN'T REMEMBER THAT WORD GRANDPA TOLD ME! OH NO!

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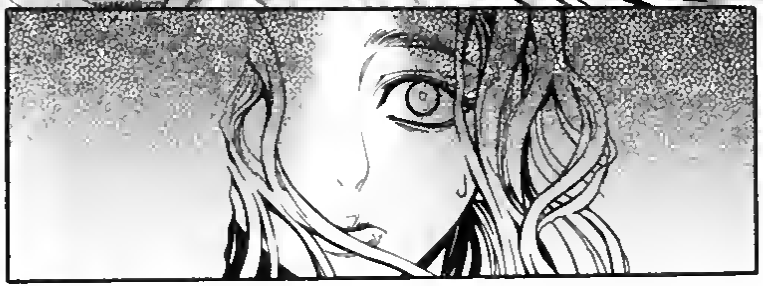
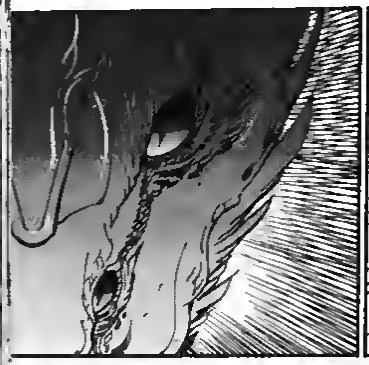
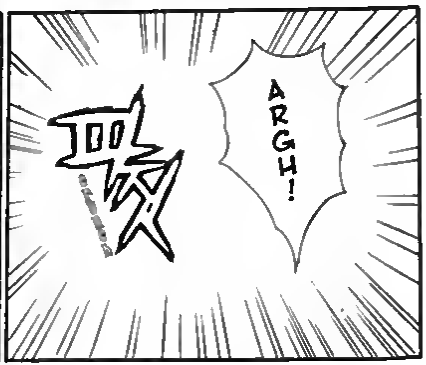
Oh!
JD!
LIGHTNING!
IS SOMETHING HAPPENING?

OH NO! THE LIGHTNING FROM THE CURSE!
MOVE! GET AWAY! I'M CURSED! YOU'LL BE FRIED TO A CRISP!
WHA..? NO LIGHTNING?
DAMNED IF I KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, BUT IT'S ABOUT TIME IT ENDED!
ATTACK!
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE CHASTITY SPELL? OH...
I CAST THAT...
...SIRE KITOR.
HUH?
AARGH!!

WHAT'S GOING ON?



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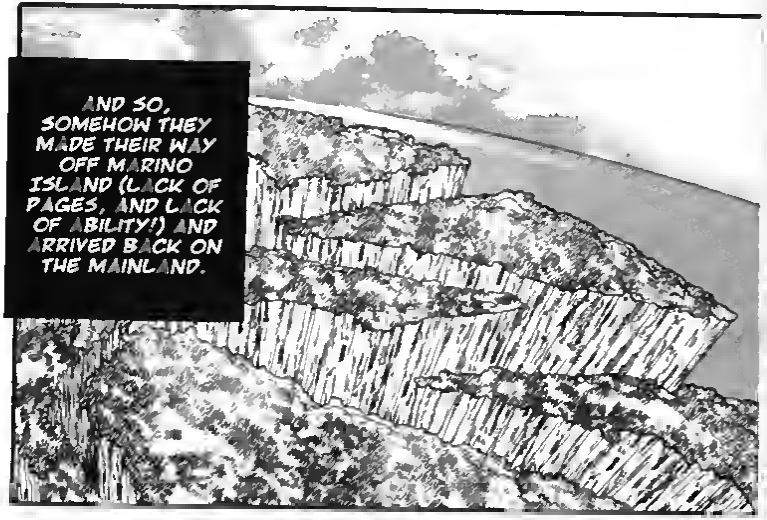
AND SO, SOMEHOW THEY MADE THEIR WAY OFF MARINO ISLAND (LACK OF PAGES, AND LACK OF ABILITY!) AND ARRIVED BACK ON THE MAINLAND.

KYAOOO!

KYAOOO!

LOOK AT HOW HAPPY GORGON IS, SIRE KITOR. HE'S JUST SINGING AWAY
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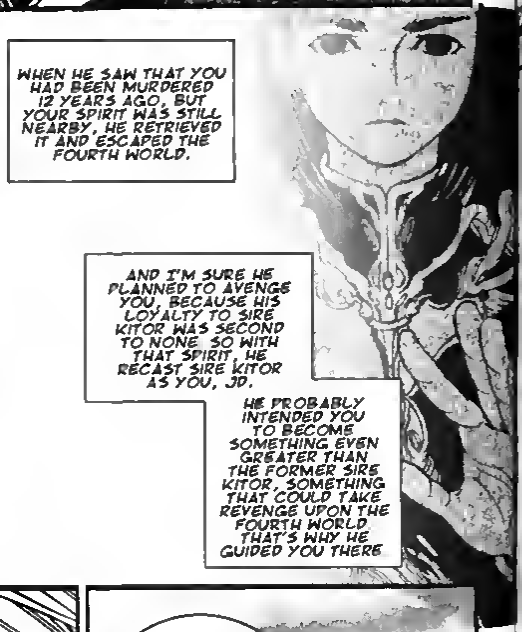
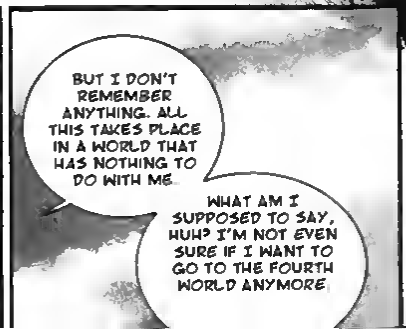
UM, CAN SOMEONE STOP HER FROM CALLING ME KITOR? THAT'S NOT ME.
MY HUSBAND'S POTION IS FOOLPROOF.

WITH THE HELP OF THE "EYE OF TRUTH," SHE SAW YOUR REAL FORM. THE GREAT MAGICIAN GRIFFORD PROBABLY PLANNED THIS WHOLE THING


WHEN HE SAW THAT YOU HAD BEEN MURDERED 12 YEARS AGO, BUT YOUR SPIRIT WAS STILL NEARBY, HE RETRIEVED IT AND ESCAPED THE FOURTH WORLD.
AND I'M SURE HE PLANNED TO AVENGE YOU, BECAUSE HIS LOYALTY TO SIRE KITOR WAS SECOND TO NONE. SO WITH THAT SPIRIT, HE RECAST SIRE KITOR AS YOU, JD.
HE PROBABLY INTENDED YOU TO BECOME SOMETHING EVEN GREATER THAN THE FORMER SIRE KITOR, SOMETHING THAT COULD TAKE REVENGE UPON THE FOURTH WORLD. THAT'S WHY HE GUIDED YOU THERE.


BUT I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING. ALL THIS TAKES PLACE IN A WORLD THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO SAY, HUH? I'M NOT EVEN SURE IF I WANT TO GO TO THE FOURTH WORLD ANYMORE.

SO, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GO?

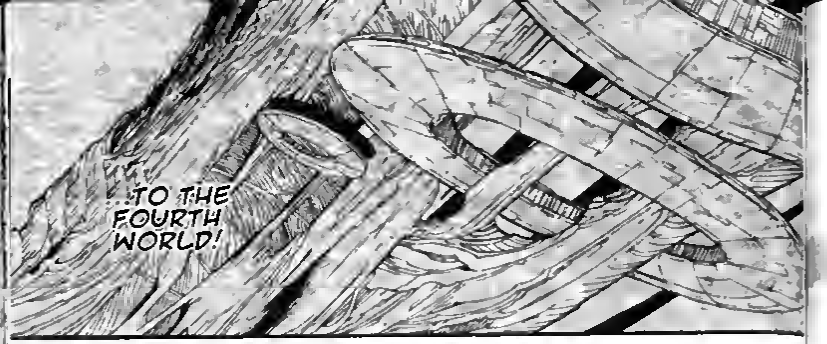
THIS IS WHAT ADVENTURE'S ALL ABOUT! DIDN'T YOU ACCEPT THERE'D BE UNKNOWNS AT THE BEGINNING?!
IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO QUIT BECAUSE THINGS ARE UNFOLDING DIFFERENTLY THAN YOU EXPECTED, THEN—
. I REALLY MISJUDGED YOU!

OKAY. UNTIL I CAN FIGURE IT OUT MYSELF—
I'M GOING TO FORGET THE FACT THAT I'M KITOR

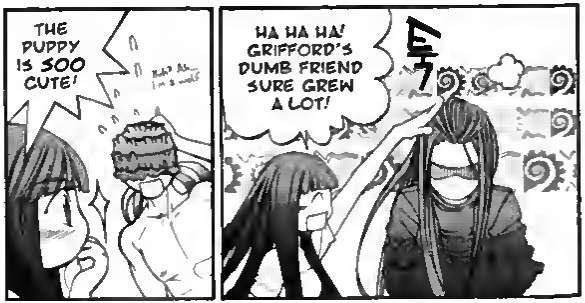
. . . .

GRANDPA SACRIFICED HIS LIFE SO THAT I COULD GO ON THIS ADVENTURE.

I WANT TO KNOW WHAT AWAITS ME. SO LET'S GO...



IT'LL BE CRAMPED WITH FIVE PEOPLE IN GORGON'S MOUTH...
SO CAREFUL YOU DON'T GET CHEWED ON PASSING THROUGH VOLCANO LATEN
WOW, EXPECT US TO DO WHAT?!



THANKS FOR READING RECAST!
STAYED TUNED FOR SOMETHING EVEN BETTER NEXT TIME!

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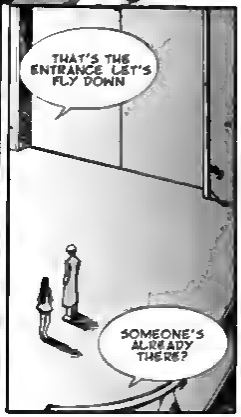

WE WORKED TOGETHER TO GET HERE, BUT ONLY ONE OF US CAN WIN AND SEE THE ENDING.
HA HA! ALL THAT MATTERS IS THAT MY OLDER BROTHER PROBABLY DIDN'T EVEN MAKE IT THIS FAR!

SEUNGHYEON?
DONGHYEON! HOW DID YOU GET HERE, BIG BROTHER?
I SHOULD BE ASKING YOU, MR. SKILLLESS.
WHAT?
HE'S YOUR BROTHER?
YEP, MY DUMB OLDER BROTHER. THIS IS MY PARTNER, USEONG CHANG.
AS IN THE NUMBER-TWO RANKED USEONG CHANG?
YOU JUST GOT HERE ON SOMEBODY ELSE'S COATTAILS!
NO! I HELPED, TOO!
ANYWAY, WHO'S THAT GIRL WITH YOU?

THIS IS MY PARTNER, TAEYUL PARK-- AND SHE'S RANKED NUMBER ONE
AH! SORRY! IT WAS A MISTAKE!
IT'S NOT A "MISTAKE" THE TWELFTH TIME, YOU PERVERT!
OW!
OH YOU
SORRY
ARGH!
OOH..
LUCKY SKUNK. HE GETS THE NUMBER-ONE RANKED GIRL AND I'M STUCK WITH MR. SINISTER?
SO YOU HAD TO TAG ALONG WITH A GIRL TO GET THIS FAR?
HEY, NUMBER ONE!
WHAT'S A GIRL DOING PLAYING THIS GAME? DON'T YOU KNOW THE ENDING OF THIS GAME?

THERE'S STILL A CAVE PERSON WHO'S GOT A BEEF WITH GIRLS PLAYING GAMES? AND WHAT'S THE ENDING, ANYWAY?
YOU GET TO KISS THE PRINCESS.
UNLESS YOU WANT TO KISS THE PRINCESS...?
NOW THAT YOU KNOW, YOU MIGHT AS WELL QUIT WHILE YOU'RE AHEAD THIS ISN'T A TOURNAMENT-- THERE'S NO PRIZE. WHAT SAY YOU GIVE US GUYS A SHOT?
PLEASE DON'T GIVE UP! WE'LL BE HAPPY TO WATCH THE ENDING WITH TWO GIRLS, OKAY?
SORRY, BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF QUITTING. NOW I CARE ABOUT THE ENDING. I JUST WANT THE SATISFACTION OF BEATING THE GAME.

HUH?
THE LAST STAGE.
LET'S GO! WE CAN'T FALL BEHIND!
ME FIRST!
HEY!

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IS THAT THE EVIL LORD?
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IS THAT THE BEST YOU CAN DO?
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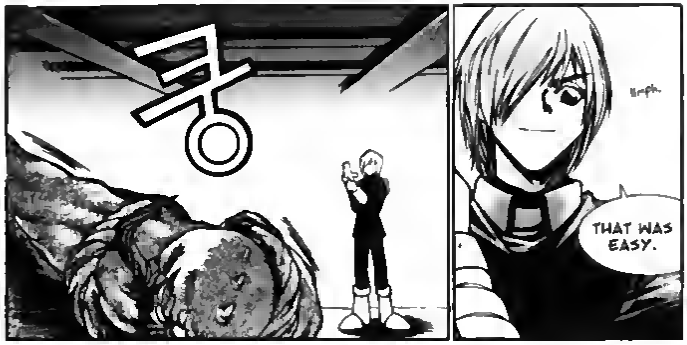
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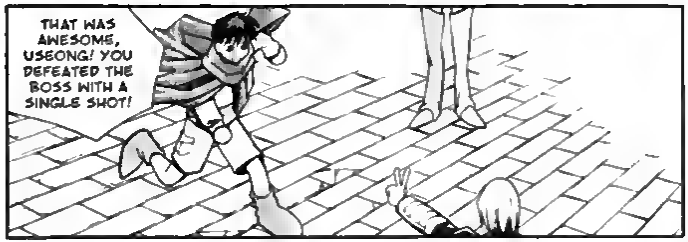
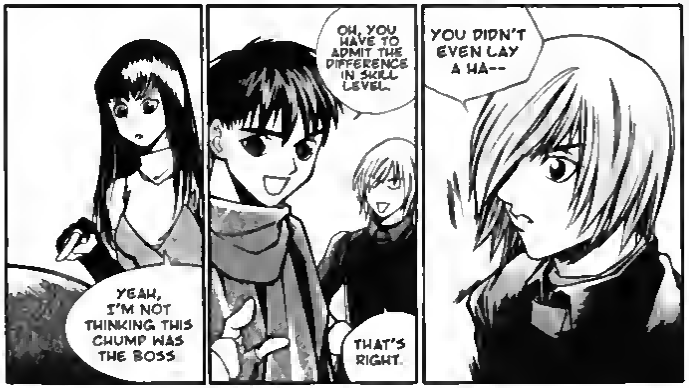
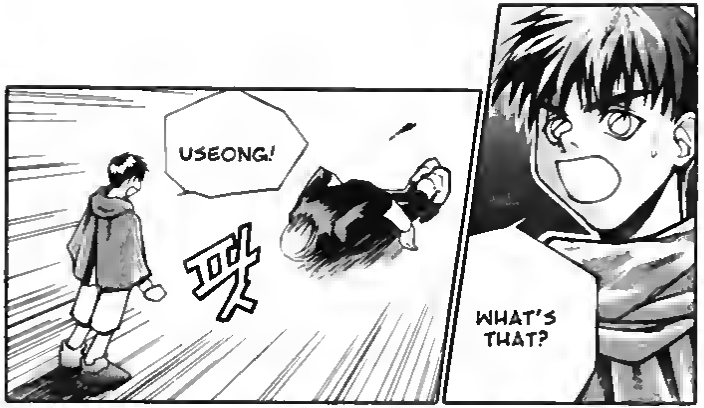
THAT WAS EASY.


THAT WAS AWESOME, USEONG! YOU DEFEATED THE BOSS WITH A SINGLE SHOT!


YEAH, I'M NOT THINKING THIS CHUMP WAS THE BOSS
OH, YOU HAVE TO ADMIT THE DIFFERENCE IN SKILL LEVEL.
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU DIDN'T EVEN LAY A HA--


USEONG!
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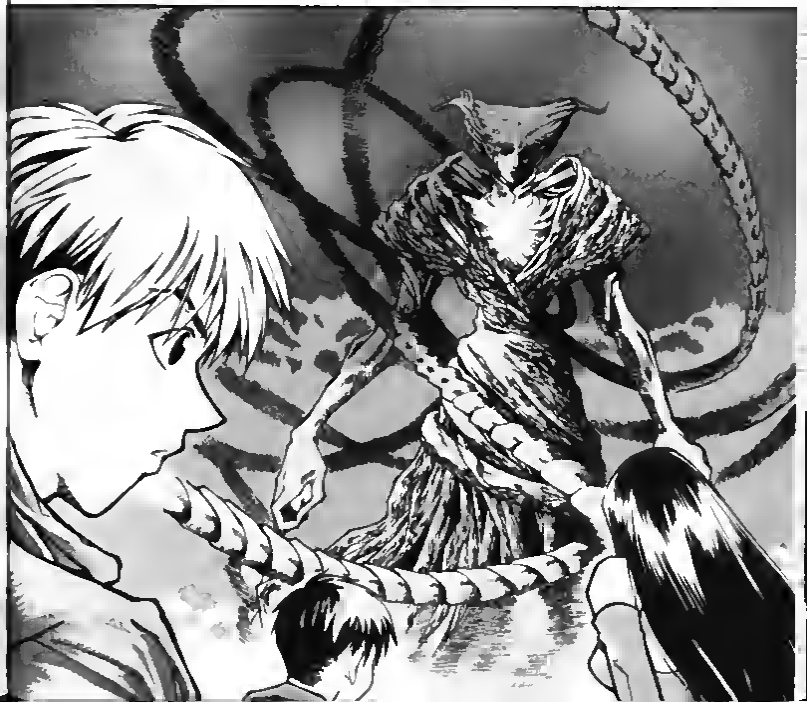
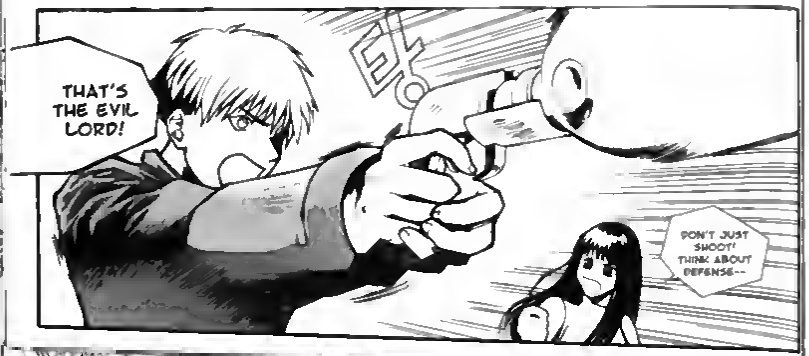


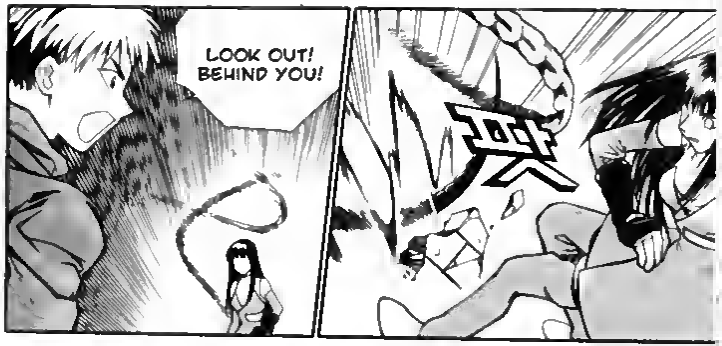

THAT'S THE EVIL LORD!
DON'T JUST SHOOT! THINK ABOUT DEFENSE--

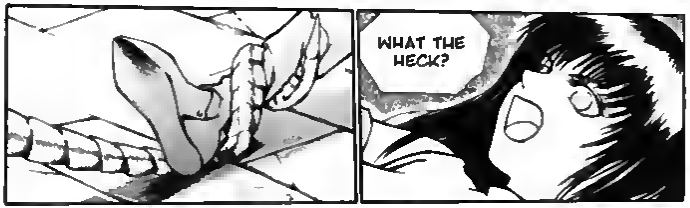
HUH?

THANKS.

AAH!

HOW COULD YOU LET YOUR WEAPON BE TAKEN AWAY? YOU JUST DEFEND! I'LL ATTACK


LOOK OUT! BEHIND YOU!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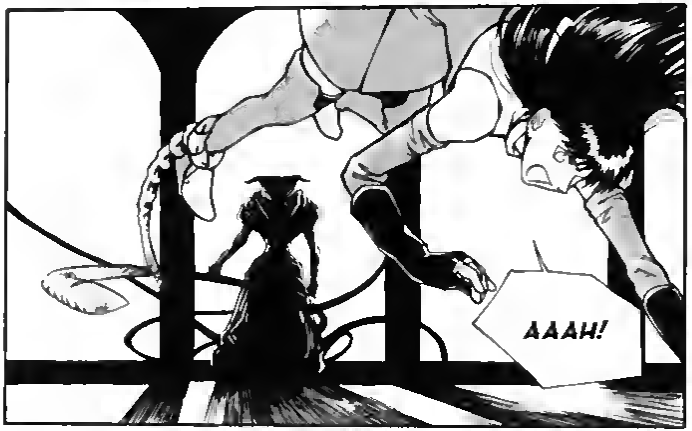
AAAH!

OH NO...
OOH...
SHALL I ABSORB YOUR POWER?
LET HER GO, YOU MONSTER!
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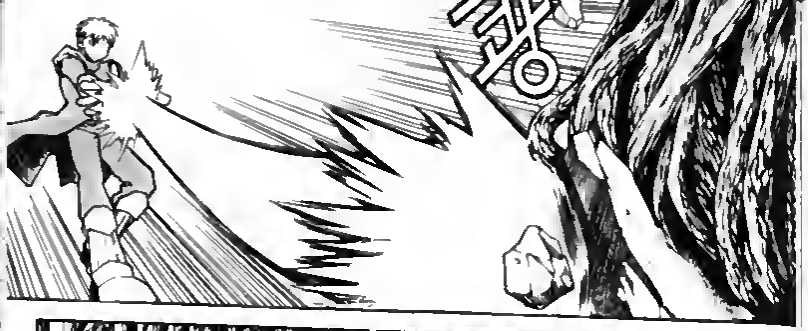
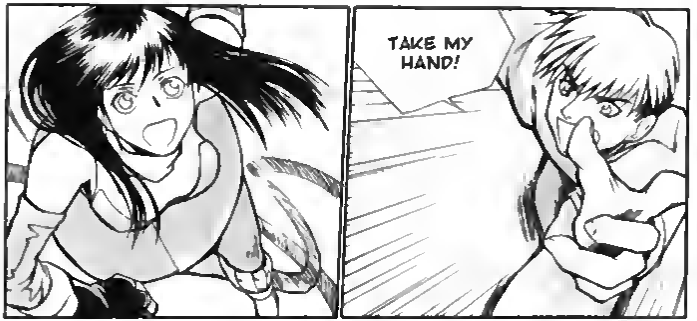
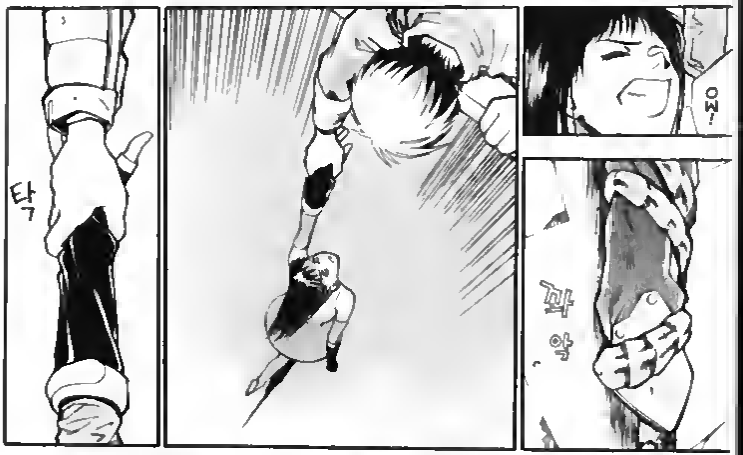
THAT CERTAINLY WON'T WORK
I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE UP! I WAS ONLY ABLE TO GET HERE BECAUSE OF TAEYUL!
JEEZ, OVERDOING IT MUCH?
HE'S REALLY TRYING TO IMPRESS HER



THE FLOOR!

THIS CAN'T BE!
YOU FOOL! I'M FALLING WITH HIM!


TAKE MY HAND!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JUST LET GO!
NO!
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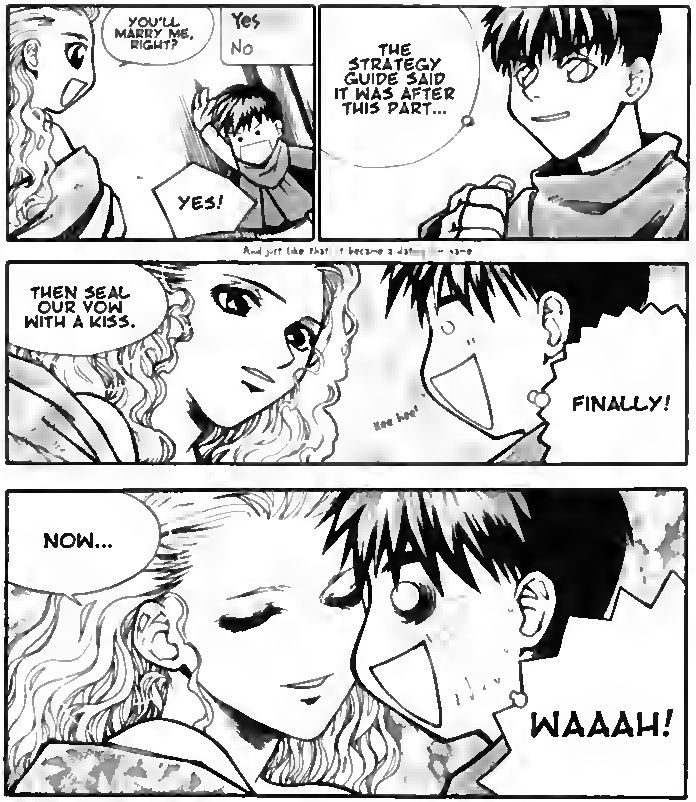
JUST HOLD ON! I'LL..

I GUESS IT'S MY TURN.
THANK GOODNESS! GIMME A HAND, SEUNG--
Eh?

AAAH!
Ha ha ha ha!
DID YOU FORGET THAT I WAS ONE OF YOUR COMPETITORS?
YOU'RE A LOUSY BROTHER!

HA HA HA HA
YEP, IT'S ALL ABOUT TAKING THE RIGHT CHANCES IN GAMES
NOW, TO GET THE PRINCESS' KISS.
PRINCESS?

HAVE YOU COME TO SAVE ME, BRAVE WARRIOR?
Heh.
Suddenly Handsome
YES. I DEFEATED THE MONSTER AND I CAME HERE TO RESCUE YOU, PRINCESS.
Yeah!
EVEN MY BROTHER'S PARTNER HAS NOTHING ON THIS BEAUTY!
You're great, brave warrior!
I DECIDED THAT I'D MARRY THE WARRIOR WHO CAME TO RESCUE ME



BEEP

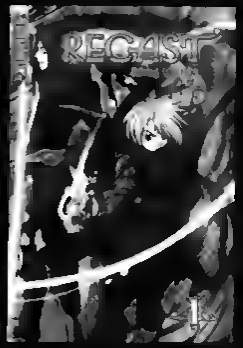
You must be 15 years of age or older to view this gameplay

YOUR GAME HAS BEEN FORCIBLY SUSPENDED BY THE YOUTH PROTECTION PROGRAM.
WHAT THE HECK?!
15 YEARS OR OLDER?! WHO DECIDED THAT THAT CRAP? IF THEY WERE GOING TO PULL THAT AT THE END, WHY DIDN'T THEY JUST STOP ME FROM PLAYING IN THE FIRST PLACE?!
DID YOU MISS ME, LITTLE BRO?
crack
crack
Fap!

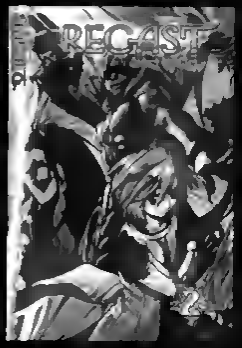
The End

REGAST

A LOOK BACK



JD LIVES WITH HIS GRANDFATHER GRIFFORD, THE FORMER GREAT MAGICIAN OF THE EVIL FOURTH WORLD. IN A PEACEFUL TOWN IN THE FIFTH WORLD, ONE DAY, A PUPPET BOUNTY HUNTER FROM THE FOURTH WORLD KILLS GRIFFORD. HIS LAST MESSAGE TO JD IS TO SEEK OUT THE FOURTH WORLD.



CHASED FROM HIS HOME BY A BOUNTY HUNTER, JD IS SOON PURSUED BY THE HEAVENLY SIXTH WORLD'S UNDER-SIX SQUAD, LED BY COMMANDER ZAHA. JD REACHES THE JADE REGION, HOME TO GRIFFORD'S FRIEND BLAISE.

VAMPIRE LORD BLAISE REVEALS THE TRUTH OF GRIFFORD'S PAST. SUPREME EVIL RULER KITOR HIRED GRIFFORD AFTER THE YOUNG MAGICIAN SUMMONED AND DEFEATED HIM. BLAISE BECAME PREY TO THE VAMPIRES HE'D FIRST ASKED GRIFFORD TO ERADICATE.

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SIRE KITOR'S FIANCEE LAIN REALIZES HE'S BEEN DEPOSED. MEANWHILE, JD TRIES TO GET ON BLAISE'S GOOD SIDE BY SEEKING OUT A WEREWOLF CAPABLE OF REVERSING A CURSE ON BLAISE'S SISTER. THEY MEET BEOWULF LUPUS II AND FREE HIM FROM CONFINEMENT.

LAIN BEGINS HER JOURNEY TO SEEK OUT JD FOR ANSWERS ABOUT KITOR. JD, BLAISE AND LUPUS RETURN TO THE JADE REGION TO FIND BLAISE'S SISTER KILLED BY THE UNDER-SIX SQUAD. EOMAIA, RULER OF THE SIXTH WORLD, PLANS TO DECIMATE THE REGION.

AFTER DEFEATING EOMAIA'S ENGINEERED DRAGON, JD AND COMPANY JOURNEY TO MARINO ISLAND WHERE THEY MEET UP WITH LAIN. LAIN IS ABLE TO REVEAL JD'S TRUE IDENTITY AS THE RECAST OF SIRE KITOR'S SPIRIT. NOW THAT HE KNOWS HE'S THE SUPREME RULER, JD'S JOURNEY IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!

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